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New scholarship memorializes UM journalism school graduate

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The late Trey Jordan is memorialized by a scholarship endowment that benefits students in the UM School c Journalism and New Media. Photo courtesy Lyn Kieltyka

OXFORD, Miss. – Colleagues of the late Trey Jordan, of New Orleans, describe the **University of Mississippi** alumnus as the consummate professional, an outstanding leader and great motivator who was honest, sincere and compassionate.

He was well-rounded, they said, and fun – even at work for Northrup Grumman Corp., where he served as an information technology professional for 17 years.

Jordan's wife, Lyn Kieltyka, said her husband would give credit to Ole Miss for building his knowledge base and strengthening the social skills that colleagues found so appealing. He died in 2018 after a lengthy illness.

"The great people Trey met at Ole Miss and the life-changing experiences he had shaped him into who he was," said Kieltyka, who recently made a \$50,000 gift to the university, finalizing her husband's desire to establish a scholarship at his alma mater.

"Ole Miss was where he found himself, and the university remained a major part of his life. He hoped and wanted to encourage other Ole Miss students to have a similar experience."

The Robert Clark Jordan III Memorial Scholarship honors Jordan in perpetuity and provides income to support qualified students in the **School of Journalism and New Media**.

Dean Will Norton expressed his gratitude for Jordan's vision.

"This scholarship will create many opportunities for our students, allowing them to develop academically and participate in career-building activities on campus beyond the classroom," he said. "I also hope that it will help pave the way for students to find, as Trey did, their place within our programs."

Jordan earned a bachelor's degree in business and journalism from the university in 1997. In 2003, he completed a master's degree in international business administration at Tulane University in New Orleans, where mutual friends introduced him to the woman who would become his wife.



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OXFORD, Miss. – Peer recognition is a rewarding experience for anyone, but University of Mississippi researcher Amir Mehrara Molan was elated when an article he co-authored recently received the Most Cited Paper Award at the 102nd Transportation Research Board meeting in the nation's capital. The International Journal of Transportation Science and Technology presented the civil engineering

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OXFORD, Miss. – Stephanie Jennings Teague, of Chicago, sees her commitment of \$100,000 to the Patterson School of Accountancy's new building at the University of Mississippi as a means of saying "thank you." "It is a way to show a small token of my appreciation to Ole Miss, the faculty and staff, and the accounting

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U.S. inflation roller coaster prompts fresh look at long-ignored money supply By Michael S. Derby NEW YORK – The amount of money sloshing around the U.S. economy shrank last year for the first time on record, a development that some economists believe bolsters the case for U.S. inflation pressures continuing to

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"Trey was an extremely giving person," Kieltyka said. "He always wanted to encourage everyone to reach their full potential. He believed by creating this scholarship, he could help do that while also easing the tremendous financial pressure many college students find themselves under."

At Northrup Grumman, Jordan supported a variety of enterprise-based IT strategies, most recently leading an initiative that coordinates online collaborative activities across all sectors of the company. Additionally, he supported the development of enterprise iOS/BB/Android applications and the company's mobile device management considerations.

During his tenure with the company, Jordan held leadership roles in the areas of supply chain management, enterprise process development and quality assurance. He also provided multisector leadership with such initiatives as iBuy, Process Excellence, Portfolio Management and external partner collaboration.

Jordan was born in South Ruislip, England, and raised in Haven, Kansas. Ultimately, however, he fell in love with New Orleans and called it home.

Scholarships such as Jordan's give students more time to focus on academics, open opportunities for involvement in campus activities, lessen the impact of rising tuition costs and decrease the need for student loans, said Wendell Weakley, UM Foundation president and CEO.

The Robert Clark Jordan III Memorial Scholarship Endowment is open to support from businesses and individuals. Gifts can be made to by sending a check, with the fund's name noted on the memo line, to the University of Mississippi Foundation, 406 University Ave., Oxford, MS 38655 or by giving online at https://give.olemiss.edu.

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