



## Dr. Richard H. Miller Obituary

March 18, 1954 - June 22, 2010

Born Scranton , PA , Dr. Miller lived in Albany many years where he was Program Director of the Medical Laboratory Technology Program at Southwest Georgia Technical College . He received his B.A. from Mansfield State College (University) of Pennsylvania in 1976, his M.T. (ASCP) from Robert Packer Hospital School of Medical Technology and Guthrie Clinic Sayre, PA in 1978, his M.B.A. from Albany State College and his Ph.D. from Georgia State University in Atlanta , GA in 1992. Dr. Miller was former President, Board of Directors, Southwest Georgia Easter Seal Society, Inc. (1995-1996), former member Board of Directors, Albany Birthright, Inc. 5 years and Clinical Laboratory Consultant, Albany Birthright, Inc. 5 years. He was also a member of St. Teresa's Catholic Church for 32 years, former chair, St. Teresa's School Finance Committee, former member of St. Teresa's School Board for 3 years, he attended Byne Memorial Baptist Church for 32 years, he was a member of The Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree, St. Teresa's Catholic Church, Committee Member/ Merit Badge Counselor, Boy Scouts of America Troop 3, Albany 22 years and former Coach, Albany Dixie Youth Baseball, American Legion for 5 years. He was a loving husband and father who enjoyed spending time with family and friends, playing golf, camping, fishing, hunting, all types of sports; stamp and coin collecting, working with youth groups and people in general. Survivors include his wife of 30 years Susan Miller of Lee County; a son Christopher Miller of Lee County; a daughter Lindsey Miller of Lee County; a sister Cheryl Hall and her husband

Pat of New Jersey; a brother Robert Miller and his wife Cindy of Pennsylvania; his father in law Steve T. Stahl and his wife Evelyn of Albany; 3 brother in laws Steve Stahl and his wife Anita of Charlotte, North Carolina, Mark Stahl and his wife Debbie of Albany; David Stahl and his wife Gina of Albany; a sister in law Julie Dorman and her husband Randy of Douglasville, GA; several nieces and nephews.

# Tribute Wall



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May 22, 2023 at 01:29 AM



“ *I am so very sorry for your loss. I fondly remember Rick as a great athlete and one who I looked up to as a youth in Dupont. The Miller brothers, Rick and Robert were superb athletes who very much admired and respected their dad, and their elders. These values along with Rick's determination and sense of family unity were evident by the numerous expressions of sympathy and condolence. His family can surely look with pride at his accomplishments both personally and professionally. Well done Rick!*

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**Michael P. Lokuta** - June 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *I would not be where I am today if not for Dr. Richard Miller. You will be greatly missed. My deepest thoughts and prayers are with the Miller family.*

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**JOHN ANSLEY** - June 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ I have known Rich since 1996 when he became the Program Director at SWGTC (actually, he took my place.)I had offered to give the MLT students a tour of FDLE and he took me up on it - every year for the past 14 years! It was always a pleasure to see Rich and give a tour to him and his students. He was such a funny guy. The world has lost a fine man and by reading the other tributes, I can gather what a great friend and mentor he was to everyone. I am so saddened by his loss. My thoughts and prayers are certainly with his wife, son and daughter. Your husband/father lived a great life. God bless.

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**Jo Ellen Brown** - June 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Dr. Miller was a wonderful person and friend. During my time working in the Allied Hand Building, I had the opportunity to see Dr. Miller's funny side. He would often pop his head in my door and tell me that he had a joke to share. He would get so tickled that sometimes he couldn't tell the joke without laughing to the point of tears. I can hardly remember a time that I didn't see him chewing gum and asking me ?What?s the word?. There was never a dull moment when Dr. Miller was in the room and he will truly be missed!

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**Brandi Cooper** - June 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

FC

“ Deepest sympathy to all the members of his family!

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**Frank Czerniakowski** - June 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ He will be greatly missed at the College. His untimely passing has left a huge void in our lives; very big shoes to fill. Susan, Chris, Lindsey and other family members, you were his life and he beamed whenever he talked about you. He was a good friend and a great neighbor on our hall. I will miss his talks. We thank the good Lord for allowing our paths to cross. You are all in our prayers.

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**Archie & Glenda Hatcher** - June 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Dr. Miller had an impact on so many lives through his endless passion for teaching. He loved his students and would go above and beyond to help them succeed. I worked side-by-side with Dr. Miller for several years as he taught me the ins and outs of clinical laboratory education. He was instrumental in establishing the Clinical Laboratory Science Program at Thomas University while maintaining a successful program at Southwest Georgia Technical College. He was my mentor and friend and will forever live on in the lives of the countless MLT graduates who now have successful careers because of him. Future students will benefit from his dedication to the profession. Thank you Dr. Miller for getting me started on my career path. I will continue to carry the torch you passed on to me. My prayers are with your family now and always.

*Jill Dennis*

*CLS Program Director*

*Thomas University*

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**Jill Dennis** - June 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Susan&Family,  
We are so sad for the loss of your Richard. We will always remember Richard, for he was a true gentleman. We will miss our evening walks in the neighborhood. Psalms 116:15.

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**Randy&Sue Hart** - June 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ Susan, your Memphis family loves you and sends our deepest sympathy to you and the children. We're so sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you.

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**Claire Rainey** - June 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ Your Memphis and Dallas families are grieving with you. We remember Rich's twinkly eyes and his ready smile. Susan, Lindsey and Chris, we love you and will keep you in our prayers and thoughts.

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**Bernard & Margie Rainey** - June 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ Rich, you meant so much to me. You were like my own brother. I will miss all the funny things you did to make us all laugh. You were a wonderful man and I am going to miss you so much. We will see each other again one day, so until then, remember I love you with all my heart.

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**Gina Stahl** - June 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Dr. Miller was a great teacher and person. I am from the graduating class of 1999. Our trip to Atlanta that year, I have never laughed so much. I am grateful for all his leadership and kindness. I am a successful lab manager today because of his dedication to his students and his willingness to help out any way he could. He will be truly missed by everyone.

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**Marsha Mercer** - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Our deepest sympathy for your sudden loss . I really can't imagine how hard it must be . Please know your family is in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Michael and Donna Lazowski** - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ Enough words cannot be said describing what a great human being this man was. He was the nucleus of our family and we loved to be around him. His kindness and humor were unforgettable. He accepted everyone's problems and worked to find a solution to them. His family was his life. He had the most ambition of anyone I know. Failure at anything was not an option. "There was always a way", he would say. He was the family crutch. He was the problem solver. He enjoyed happy occasions with his family and his sessions at the dinner table were infamous. His sudden passing has created a hole in all of our hearts. He was taken from us too early. I guess there was a problem to solve or someone needed help in another place. He was the right man for the task. Our lives will never be the same without him and he will never be forgotten. He was my hero, my strength, my guidance, and my buddy. He was my blood. He was my only brother. Rest in peace Professor. I will love and miss you forever. Until we meet again, your loving brother, Robert "Clem" Miller; The other half of the Miller Boys, and his wife, Cindy.

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**Clem** - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Rich you touched my life and are an inspiration to me. You are a brother and dear friend. I love you and will miss you.

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**David Stahl** - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

NW

“ DR. MILLER HAD THE BEST SENSE EVER. HE WAS ALWAYS JOLLY & TOLD MANY FUNNY STORIES & JOKES JUST TO MAKE OUR CLASS LAUGH. ONE OF MY FAVORITE QUOTES OF HIS IS "LET'S GO PUT THE FEED BAG ON!", WHEN IT WAS TIME TO BREAK FOR LUNCH. HE WAS NOT ONLY OUR TEACHER, BUT HE WAS ALSO A WONDERFUL FRIEND. HE WENT ABOVE AND BEYOND TO HELP HIS STUDENTS, BECAUSE HE CARED ALOT ABOUT US. HE WAS TRUELY AN ANGEL HERE ON EARTH & WE WILL ALWAYS KEEP HIM IN OUR HEARTS. WE WILL MISS YOU DR. MILLER.  
LOVE NICKI

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**NICKI WILLIAMS** - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Dr. Miller words can't express how much your guidance and willingness has guided my life. You will surely be missed. It was a pleasure being your student you all made learning fun. Well I must say good-bye for now and Thanks for all you did. Love you Cynthia Perry-Lewis Class of 1999.

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**Cynthia Perry-Lewis** - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ I am so sorry to hear about Dr. Miller. He was a great person. He always had a smile on his face and could always make us laugh in class with out even trying. Our MLT class of 2007 had a GREAT time with Dr. Miller. He will missed by may people. For the family...I pray that God given you the strength you need to cope and deal with your loss. Remember Phillipians 4:13 - "I can do all things through God who gives me strength".

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**Roxanne Salter Brooks** - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ *VERY SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS, MY HUSBAND FRANK PLIS WAS RELATED TO RICHARD'S MOTHER.*

ANGELINE PLIS - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ *Dr. Miller was a wonderful teacher and mentor..I feel so blessed to have had the opportunity to have been in his MLT program. He will be truly missed. My prayers go out to his family*

Taleya Williams - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Dr. Miller was a great person with a wonderful spirit. I graduated from his MLT class of 09. He kept us laughing as well as teaching us what we needed to know. Dr. Miller helped me get my first job as an MLT. He will be greatly missed.*

Janet Scott - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *To Susan and family - My heartfelt sympathy and love to you all. May our Gracious God continually comfort and encourage you during the coming days.*

Susan Horne - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ *Dear Susan and family,I send my sincere words of comfort and love. You are in my prayers and my heart. Your faith will keep you and His loving arms will give you comfort. Love Always Laverne Montgomery.*

Laverne Montgomery - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ Dr. Miller...this is soooo hard.  
But I know you are in a better place. May you REST IN PEACE.

Mrs. Miller, Chris, Linsay & Family.... he loved you all so dearly. He showed and expressed it constantly while at work.

I will truly miss him as well as his laughter, emails, and office conversations.

Take Care,  
April

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April Taylor - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Dr. Miller was an awesome instructor, my mentor, and my friend. I don't know how I could have made it through my first years of teaching without him. I owe him a debt of gratitude for everything; I would not be where I am in my career without his teaching, his encouragement, and his friendship.

Karen Burgess M.E.T, BSMT (ASCP)

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Karen Burgess - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Richard and I worked together at Albany State for several years. I always enjoyed his sense of humor and his willingness to help anyone he could. I was sorry to hear of his passing and he will be missed.

May God bless Richard and may God bless his memory.

Linda Grimsley

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Linda Grimsley - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VJ

“ He had a smile which showed he cared for people and loved his work. Rich will be greatly missed. Our prayers and thoughts are with you during your loss. Even though he is not with us, he will always be near in our hearts. God Bless!

Virginia & Harvey Jordan - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

FL

“ My deepest sympathies and prayers to the family. Not much can be said so be assured of my prayers for Richard and for those who will miss him deeply! Peace to you all....

Fr. Ray Levreault - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ Susan and family, I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Alesia Miller Shiver - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Dr. Miller, you were truly one in a million. You will be surely missed. It was joy coming to class and learning and laughing at the same time.

Carmen Homer - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

HH

“ So Sorry to hear of Dr. Miller's passing. He was a great instructor and person just in general. He surely loved his family as I heard many of stories while in the MLT program at SWGTC. You will be missed!

Holly Hooks - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ I met Susan and Rich a few years ago when we were a part of the Lee County Soccer Booster Club. I am so sorry for your family's loss. Please accept my heartfelt condolences.

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**Pamela Brown** - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ I worked with Rich many years ago at Palmyra Medical Center and have many fond and funny memories of him. I am so sorry to hear of his passing.

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**Marybeth Williamson** - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Su-Su - I am so very sorry to hear about Rich. I know you are feeling such a loss right now. I have fond memories of Rich yelling out "Get your foot longs" at the Knights of Columbus booth at the fair and of seeing you two strolling the aisles of Wal-Mart. He was a fun-loving guy and I know he will be greatly missed. You and the family are in my thoughts and prayers and if there is anything I can do, please let me know. Love, Sonja

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**Sonja Strickland** - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Dearest Rick -Loving brother, guardian angel, confidante and protector.  
"What's happening?" Your favorite expression and keen interest in the responses of the many people you touched throughout your ordinary day.  
You are an EXTRAORDINARY human being and welcome soul as you join your parents in God's kingdom! You will live in our hearts forever.  
Your loving sister, Cheryl

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**Cheryl Hall** - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SU

“ I met Dr. Miller when I began working at SWGTC one year ago. His passion for education was evident and he was such a talented educator. His students respected him as he was highly skilled in laboratory science and he will be greatly missed by all. You will all be in my prayers during this time of loss.

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**Summer** - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ I've known Rich for over 30 years, and always considered him a friend. He will be missed in the Albany community, the education community and the clinical lab community. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Tony Dugan, MT(ASCP)DLM** - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Everyone at Southwest Georgia Tech is remorsing over the loss of Dr. Rich. He was highly respected by everyone. Students have been calling in tears as they hear the news. I know that he will be greatly missed. He had such a outgoing personality and always took the time to stop by and say hello and give a chuckle or two. My sincere prayers go out to his family. May God's grace surround and comfort you during this time and in the future to come.

*Sincerely Carol Peppers  
Receptionist SWGTC*

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**Carol Peppers** - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ Our deepest sympathy and prayers are with you. I know Larry greeted Rich with open arms and will watch over him, just like the old college days. The two buddies are together again in a beautiful heaven.

*Lori, Angelo and Marcus Georgetti*

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**Lori Georgetti Tillger** - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ You're in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Jared and Melanie Dervan** - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM