

The Educator-Turned-Regulator

Mary D. Miller (FCAS 1992) 1946-2020

Recipient of the Academy's Jarvis Farley Service Award and the CAS Matthew Rodermund Memorial Service Award, Mary D. Miller died on June 7.

Born Mary Cecilia Downey in Napoleon, Ohio, to Robert and Patricia (Lawler) Downey, she attended St. Augustine High School, where she discovered her love of mathematics. She graduated from The Ohio State University with a math degree and a French minor in 1968. She taught math at Roy C. Start High School in Toledo for six years prior to the birth of her first child. She was a stay-at-home mom for 10 years and, when her last child entered school, she went back to earn her master's in mathematics from the University of Toledo, where she was reintroduced to the actuarial profession.

Her first actuarial job was with Lumberman's in Mansfield, Ohio. Later she moved to the State of Ohio's Department of Insurance, where she rose to chief actuary and chief financial examiner. Very active in both the CAS and the American Academy of Actuaries, Miller was a vice president for both organizations and a director on their boards. In 2014 she became Academy president.

On June 26, 1999, she married Michael C. Miller, who survives her. Other survivors include her five children, nine grandchildren, seven siblings and other relatives and friends. Memorial gifts may be made to the Ovarian Cancer Research and Education in Gynecology Fund (#312187) at The James Cancer Hospital (<https://giveto.osu.edu/makeagift>).