

Karel Lyster Lowery '75
Ex-Officio Member

Karel Lyster Lowery, class of 1975, attended the University of Northern Colorado and received her Bachelor's in Music Education. Dr. Milam, former Cottey President, called and asked her to work in the Admissions Office (1978-1980). While back at Cottey she met her future husband and they moved to Marshall, Missouri, where she had her first elementary music teaching job. In 1984 they moved to Jefferson City, Missouri, and in 1988 she began teaching elementary music where she stayed for 27 years. She retired in 2016 but continues to substitute teach. She remains very active in P.E.O., her church, and in her local symphony as a bassoon player and board member. She has served twice on the Missouri State P.E.O. Chapter Cottey Committee. She also served six years on the Cottey College Alumnae Association Board and is honored to now be serving her third and final year as the Ex-Officio member of the Board.