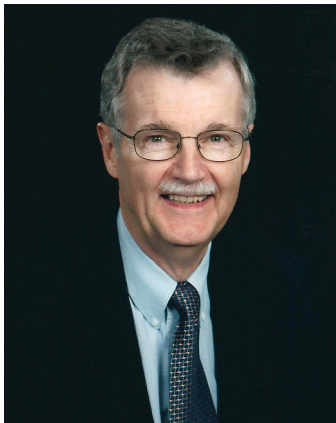


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## Wayne L. Sampson Memorial Scholarship Fund



The Wayne L. Sampson Memorial Educator's Scholarship will be awarded annually beginning in 2010. It has been established by his wife, Janice, and their two children, Sally Sampson Craft and Brian Sampson. Both Sally and Brian were educated in the Morton school system. The scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior at Morton High School or prior graduate of MHS whose goal is to enter the field of education. A faculty and administrative committee will select the recipient of the award based on academic ability, financial need, moral character, leadership and participation in school and community activities.

Wayne L. Sampson received a Bachelor Degree in Vocational Agriculture and a Master Degree in Education from the University of Illinois. He taught Vocational Agriculture at Annawan High School and joined the faculty of Illinois Central College in 1967. While at ICC, he also held the position of Department Chair and served as President of the Illinois Vocational Association. He served on the Morton Unit District 709 School Board from 1975 to 1987 and became active in the Illinois Association of School Boards. He served as their State President for two years, joined the staff of IASB in 1988, and held the position of Executive Director from 1989 until his retirement in 2000. After retirement, as Chair of the Forward in Faith Building Committee at Morton United Methodist Church, he provided leadership in relocating to a new church building. Wayne passed away on July 21, 2009 at the age of 67.

Wayne was a visionary leader who had a great concern for the quality of public education in Illinois. He believed that all students should receive an education that would provide the foundation for a lifetime of learning. It is the hope of Wayne's family that this scholarship will help the recipients realize their dreams of being the kind of educators who make a difference.

**Legacy and stability.** Endowed gifts provide a gift that lasts forever. Your gift is invested over time. Earnings from the fund are used to provide annual scholarships. Scholarships made from the Wayne L. Sampson Memorial Educator's Scholarship Fund will continue beyond our lifetimes. The fund will grow as future donors, with a concern for excellence in education, add to it, thus providing increasingly larger scholarships well into the future.

### The power of endowment

A half century ago, Paul Cesarz made a choice that continues to benefit his community today. He created an endowed fund in 1952 with \$150,000 in assets. The fund immediately began earning income and distributing grants to causes important to him. Fifty years later and 35 years after Paul's death, the Cesarz Fund had grown to \$1,066,003. And in that 50th year, it generated more than \$50,000 in grants, supporting a range of community needs—a park renovation, a museum exhibit, cancer research, and more. Because Paul chose to endow his gift, he has enabled more than \$1.1 million in grants to go to his community—almost eight times the impact he would have made by giving the original gift to charity all at once. And though Paul has passed away, the fund in his name will go on supporting his community, leaving a lasting legacy.

*This example comes from another Community Foundation, but it can happen in Morton too.*

