

Named Scholarship

Pius X High School ~ Pius X Foundation



Harold & Cecelia Sherman Scholarship

Harold S. Sherman was a true Lincolnite - born and raised in the city. He graduated from Cathedral High School. He had a great love for children and parochial schools and enjoyed playing the piano and organ by ear.

During his forty-one year career in the military, he served as an officer in World War II and was a member of the Nebraska National Guard. His last assignment was by former governor James Exxon as Nebraska's United States Property and Fiscal Officer.

During his service in WWII, he was stationed in England and France. One unique memory about Harold is that he slept through a bombing attack, and he awoke to find a huge crater next to him.

He met his future wife, Cecelia Will, at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's student union before he went away to war. After his return in 1945, they were married in 1946 and had two children, Mark and Christine. Mark later died serving his country, a casualty of the Vietnam War. Christine resides in South Carolina.

On their 40th anniversary, Harold and Cecelia hosted an open house and in-home Mass to celebrate. Their house was filled with not only their friends and family, but also their original wedding attendants, and Harold played the piano for his guests.

Sadly Harold was diagnosed with cancer in mid-1989 and passed away on December 26, 1989 after 43 years of marriage.

Cecelia Will-Sherman, was raised in Lincoln and converted to Catholicism seven years after she and Harold were married. She worked for the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce and for 20 years as an investment accountant for the Nebraska State Treasurer before her retirement.

Cecelia is a member of St. Teresa's Parish in Lincoln and sang in the choir for many years. She is a member of their Altar Society and serves as a volunteer at St. Elizabeth Regional Medical Center. Like her husband, Cecelia has a great love for children.