

*The
Nancy Dumbauld Curry
Memorial Scholarship*



Nancy Curry was a well-known and respected figure in the Elida and Lima communities, from her arrival with her husband Dr. Robert I. Curry in the late '50's, to her passing in January 2021.

Throughout her life, she maintained a commitment to learning, earning valedictorian honors at Alexandria High School (1952), and graduating with honors from The Ohio State University in three years (1955). She instilled the importance of education in her six children who attended Elida, as well as many grandchildren, great grandchildren, and family friends.

She not only made education a priority, but also believed in a well-rounded education, supporting her children in music, sports, performing arts, student government, school clubs, and much more.

Nancy was well known for her strong work ethic. She worked as a bookkeeper at Friendly's for eight-and-a-half years, then full-time as a secretary at Irving/Independence Schools for twenty years.

Nancy also believed in giving back the community. She was a member of the Elida Local Schools Board of Education for twelve years, serving as its president for four, and she was a founding member of the Elida Local Schools Education Foundation. She also served at Market Street Presbyterian Church in multiple capacities. After her retirement from full-time work (in her early eighties), she continued to give back to her community by volunteering at St. Rita's Medical Center and the Allen County Museum.

Nancy is perhaps best remembered for her thoughtfulness and kindness. Despite her busy schedule, Nancy always made time to recognize significant events in the lives of people she knew. During her time in Elida, she sent thousands of cards with handwritten notes, offering words of congratulations, encouragement, and sympathy.

The Curry children have established this scholarship in loving memory of their mother and to encourage and support students who exhibit the values she demonstrated every day: the value of education and well-rounded experiences, work ethic, and giving back to the community.

The scholarship is a \$1,000 non-renewable award for a graduating Elida senior and will be sent directly to the student's selected college/university.

Minimum requirements include 3.0 cumulative GPA, participation in music/performing arts/choir, participation in another school activity such as sports/student government/school clubs, and work/volunteer experience.

Deadline: April 1

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Father's Name: _____

Father's Address: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Mother's Address: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____

Verified By: _____

(Counselor Signature)

Music/Performing Arts (ex. Band, Choir, Musical, Drama):

Activity: _____

Years active: 9 – 10 – 11 – 12

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Other school-related activities (Sports, Student Government, School Clubs):

Activity: _____

Years active: 9 – 10 – 11 – 12

Activity: _____

Years active: 9 – 10 – 11 – 12

Activity: _____

Years active: 9 – 10 – 11 – 12

Employment and/or Volunteer Experience:

Activity: _____

Years active: 9 – 10 – 11 – 12

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Where will you be attending college next year? Provide full address:

Note: If selected as the recipient of this scholarship, the award will be sent by the Lima Community Foundation directly to the institution in your name.

Essay:

Please provide an essay of three to five-hundred words detailing how you have embraced the values of continuous learning, being well-rounded based on your school activities, possessing a strong work ethic as demonstrated by your employment and/or volunteer experience, and lastly, how you intend to leverage all these qualities to give back to your community in the future.