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## BLUEFIELD COLLEGE ANNOUNCES NEW HERITAGE SOCIETY MEMBERS

Bluefield College would like to welcome the newest members to the Heritage Society. These generous individuals have decided to become part of this esteemed group for a variety of reasons. Some have joined because they would like to honor the memory of a loved one, some because of the great fellowship and family-like atmosphere they found at Bluefield College, and others because they feel this is a touching experience and they can change the lives of many.

### **Mrs. Ethel Lamanca**

One of the newest members, Ethel Lamanca, at 103 years young, is one of our eldest Rams fans. Ethel became a member of the Heritage Society to honor the life of her late



*Director of Planned Giving, Hal Keene, Ethel Lamanca, and stepson, Sam Lamanca*

husband, John Lamanca. Although she did not attend Bluefield College, she has a special place in her heart for the College. Lamanca's late husband, John, was a 1927 graduate. He participated in three sports which led him to become part of the Bluefield College Sports Hall of Fame. Ethel says he loved the College because of his opportunities in athletics, the beautiful campus, and the focus on faith and fellowship. Ethel would like to encourage anyone who has lost a loved one that attended Bluefield College to contact the Director of Planned Giving, Hal Keene, to find out which giving option may be best for you.

### **Mr. Eddie Rader**

Eddie Rader, a 2003 graduate of Bluefield College, finds giving back to the College is truly an enlightening experience. While attending Bluefield College, he earned his degree in organizational management. Rader is a long-time supporter of Rams athletics and rarely misses a home football game. His support continues as he has added a bequest in his will to



*President, Dr. David Olive, Eddie Rader, and Director of Planned Giving, Hal Keene*

support Bluefield College. Eddie loves to hear the testimonies of students whose lives have changed due to the support of donors like him. Eddie challenges all Rams fans, alumni, friends, players, and coaches, past and present, to talk about which form of giving may be right for you.

**Mr. William Merle Howell**

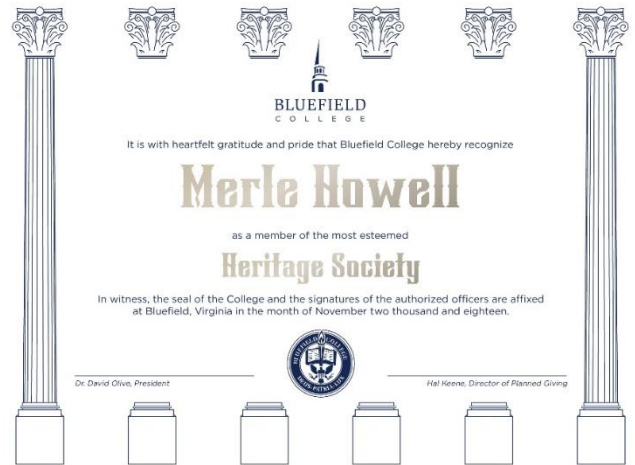
William Merle Howell of Tazewell, Virginia, has established a scholarship in honor of his late wife, Nancye K. Howell, who graduated from Bluefield College in 1961. Howell hopes that with the creation of the scholarship it will not only help to keep her memory alive, but will change the lives of current and future students. Merle knows Nancye would have wanted this scholarship to impact as many students as possible. Creating a planned gift, in honor of your loved one, is a wonderful way to honor their legacy.

**Ms. Linda K. Warren**

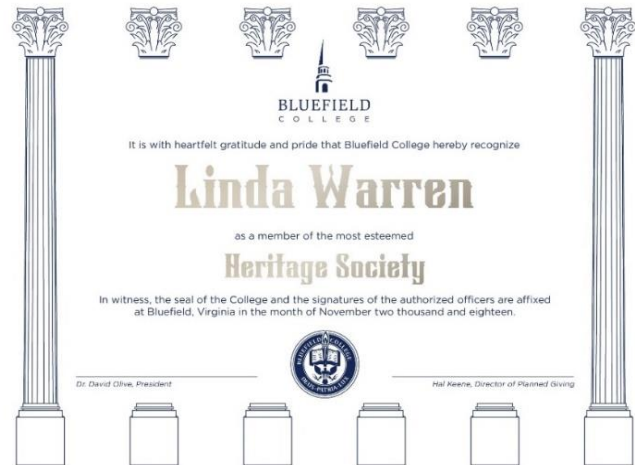
As many know, Bluefield College alumni are scattered far and wide. Linda K. Warren, who has resided in Bakersfield, California since graduating in 1959, still feels a love for the College. Her love has now been transformed into a planned gift. Ms. Warren, encourages alums to find out more about including Bluefield College in their estate



*Director of Planned Giving, Hal Keene, and Dr. Don Caudill*



*Certificate for Merle Howell*



*Certificate for Linda Warren*

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**Dr. Don Caudill**

Dr. Don Caudill, former professor at Bluefield College, has graciously endowed a gift to develop the Caudill School of Business. Caudill taught for a number of years and believes this will have a great impact on many students. Caudill hopes this gift can help change lives and make a difference in those

students. Every year his love for Bluefield College continues to grow and he wants to give back in as many ways as possible. This has been shown through the various planned gifts to the College. Caudill hopes others will follow in his footsteps and help make a difference in the lives of students who attend Bluefield College.

### **Mr. Dennis Harper**

Dennis Harper is a 1971 graduate, and a current member of Bluefield College's National Advisory Council. Mr. Harper has a passion to help each and every student who attends the College. Mr. Harper feels it is a blessing to give back to his alma mater, and challenges his fellow classmates to become members of the Heritage Society and to give back as well.



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All new members of the Heritage Society have different stories about their time on campus, how they're associated with Bluefield College, and where they are today. They all have one thing in common – they are Rams strong. With the help of these members, and many others, the lives of current and future students are being affected in the best way possible. The members encourage and invite you to become a member of the Heritage Society, too, and give back to Bluefield College.

For more information on Bluefield College's Heritage Society, or to become a member of the Heritage Society, please contact Hal Keene, Director of Planned Giving at 276-326-4209 or via email at [vkeene@bluefield.edu](mailto:vkeene@bluefield.edu).