



Northwest Nazarene University
Office of University Advancement

The Will Aller Science

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Will Aller was born in Iowa in 1875. At a young age his father died leaving Will, his mother and sisters to provide for themselves. Because Will had to assume his share of providing for the family, he had no opportunity for any formal schooling. The family moved to Stanton County, Kansas and started farming. Will learned at an early age an appreciation for honest hard work and a lasting love for the land.

In 1901 Will married and began a family in Syracuse, Kansas. His lack of formal education gave Will the determination to help his three boys, Ralph, Earl and Alvin, have a Christian education. This was accomplished by setting aside 80 acres of land to be farmed by the boys for their tuition. The boys attended Nazarene High School and on to college at Hutchinson, Kansas (now Bethany).

Will also deeded two acres of his land for a church and helped build it. It was the first Nazarene Church in the area.

Will went to be with the Lord in 1928 as a result of misdiagnosis of appendicitis. This scholarship is provided by Alvin Aller in memory of and with deep appreciation for the Christian heritage, example and sacrifice made by his father, Will.

Criteria for the Award

1. The scholarship is to be awarded annually on the basis of scholastic achievement and financial need to an NNC biological science major who has attained junior standing.
2. The recipient is to be nominated by a committee of three from the science teaching staff, one of whom shall be the Head of the Department of Biology.
3. This scholarship shall apply toward the biology summer field trip, if one is taken the summer following the spring it is awarded; if not, it may be applied to the first term following its awarding. It may be held over to the following summer, if the recipient should so elect.
4. Application may be made by using the Departmental Scholarship Application.

A most satisfying way to honor a loved one or friend is to invest in a life yet to be lived. Gifts to NNC's Endowed Scholarship Program become a "helping hand" to students as they prepare for their vocations and for lives of service to others. For more information, contact the Development Office, NNC, 623 Holly St., Nampa, ID 83686. Phone (208) 467-8842.