William E. (Bill) Selby was born in Martins Ferry, Ohio, then spent his school years in Pennsylvania, graduating from Penn State University. After graduation he moved to Seattle, Washington to work for Boeing. Starting as an industrial engineer, Bill progressed through a series of management positions and operations until his last assignment as Vice President and General Manager of the 737 and 757 airplane programs. Bill retired after 38 years of service with The Boeing Company. Bill has three living children, Craig, Cathy, and Cheryl.

Margaret H (Griffin) (Harter) Selby was born in Alberta, Canada, and attended Canadian Nazarene College in Red Deer, Alberta. After moving to British Columbia, Margaret married Irven Harter and in 1959 moved to Washington State. Margaret spent 22 years in the hospitality industry, retiring from The Red Lion Corporation in 1981. Irven and Margaret's three children, Gordon, Linda, and Duane, all graduated from Northwest Nazarene University, where Irven and Margaret established the Harter Scholarship Fund in 1983. Irven passed away from cancer in 1988.

Bill Selby and Margaret Harter married in 1993, and live in Kirkland, Washington during the summer months and LaQuinta, California during the winter. They enjoy their 12 grandchildren. Members of the Kirkland Church of the Nazarene, Bill and Margaret have traveled to Venezuela as part of a church work-and-witness team.

Bill served six years as a trustee of the State Board of Community Colleges for Washington State and on the Tacoma, Washington Executive Board to help redevelop the downtown core. Bill currently is chairman of the Business Advisory Board at Northwest Nazarene University. Margaret has served in many church leadership positions, including Sunday school teacher and church board member. The Harter family, in memory of Irven Harter, established the Executive In Residence program at NNU.

Bill and Margaret believe deeply in the value of Christian education and want to enhance the opportunities for more young people to attend Northwest Nazarene University. It is the Selby's desire that the recipients of this scholarship will enter the world better equipped with not only an excellent education but also with a strong sense of Christian ethics and values.

Criteria for the Award

1. Recipients are to be persons of worthy character and academic achievement;
2. Recipients are to be persons with a clear Christian testimony;
3. Recipients are to be students with a major in the field of business and a GPA of 3.25 or above;
4. Students are to apply by using the Departmental Scholarship Application;
5. Nominations for this award are to be made through the Office of Financial Aid.

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