Howard G. Smith was born in Troy, Idaho on August 22, 1933. He attended schools in Colfax, Washington and graduated from Northwest Nazarene College (University) in 1955. While at NNC Howard met Glee Barnett; they were married on September 18, 1954. Howard and Glee had four children, Jeffrey, Jodi, Jerron and Jay.

Howard Smith served the Church of the Nazarene in a variety of assignments: as a Sunday school teacher, church board member, building committee chairman, choir director, treasurer, and as district treasurer for Pinelov Camp. He also served as a member of the Board of Regents for Northwest Nazarene University.

Howard was the administrative manager for International Business Machines (IBM) in Spokane, Washington at the time of his death in an airplane accident on September 30, 1977.

Criteria for the Award

1. Nominations for the scholarship shall be made by the Department of Business;

2. Recipients must have attained sophomore class standing, show financial need, and demonstrate the ability to meet the liberal arts business major course of study;

3. The scholarship may be awarded for subsequent years, up to a maximum of three;

4. Preference shall be given to students from the Northwest District of the Church of the Nazarene;

5. The general requirements for full-time student status and a minimum 2.7 GPA apply.