The LaVelle & Della Carter Scholarship

LaVelle Carter was born February 19, 1913, in Jennings, Kansas. Della was born January 7, 1918, in Oberlin, Kansas. Both grew up on farms in northwest Kansas, and their families were regular attendees and supporters of their local Methodist churches. They were married December 27, 1935, and enjoyed 61 years of life together. Five children, four boys and a girl, were blessed to have them as parents.

Both LaVelle and Della taught elementary school, he for seven years and she for two. LaVelle loved farming, and he farmed his and Della's family farms for a few years while he taught. Later they purchased a farm in eastern Colorado and operated it successfully for eight years. During that time they became members of the Gary Church of the Nazarene (Colorado).

After eight years in Colorado they felt led by God to move closer to one of the Nazarene Church colleges so their children could have the opportunity to receive a Christian college education. Northwest Nazarene College was their choice. They sold their farm and moved on faith to Kuna, Idaho, which is located about ten miles from NNU. They lived in Kuna the rest of their lives and became faithful members of the Kuna Church of the Nazarene.

Their move was successful. Three of their children and eight of their grandchildren attended NNC with two children and five grandchildren receiving degrees from NNC. They were always supporters of Northwest Nazarene University and elected to continue their support by establishing this scholarship through their estate. Friends and family have honored the lives of LaVelle and Della with donations to this scholarship.

Criteria for the Award

1. Recipients are to be students who meet general scholastic requirements and show potential for academic success and degree completion.
2. Recipients are to be students majoring in Mathematics or a field of Natural Science. Preference will be given to students planning full-time missionary service.
3. Recipients may receive the award in successive years, not to exceed four years.
4. Nominations for this award are to be made by the School of Health and Science through the Office of Financial Aid.

A most satisfying way to honor a loved one or friend is to invest in a life yet to be lived.
Gifts to NNU’s Endowed Scholarship Program become a “helping hand” to students as they prepare for their vocations and for lives of service to others.
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Northwest Nazarene University admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin.

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