Laura Andersen Carter was born December 12, 1902, in Denver, Colorado, to Andrew and Anne Marie Andersen. She passed away on January 3, 1994, in Fort Collins, Colorado.

A graduate of Nebraska Wesleyan University in Lincoln, Nebraska, Laura taught school for 27 years in several states including Oregon, Idaho, Nebraska and Iowa. Most of her teaching was in the elementary grades. While teaching at Scotia, Nebraska, Laura met Dudley Carter whom she married on June 20, 1933. The Rev. W. Dudley Carter died in 1972. After retiring from teaching, Laura lived in Tekamah, Nebraska, for many years. She moved to Fort Collins, Colorado, in July 1991 to be closer to her family.

Laura was a member of the American Baptist Church in Fort Collins and was previously a member of the Tekamah Baptist Church. She was very active in American Baptist Women’s Ministries, senior citizens and a painting club. She began her painting career in her late seventies and enjoyed painting landscapes, mountains and animals. Laura took pleasure in sewing and baking for her family, and could often be seen riding her three-wheeled bicycle around her neighborhood. She was a beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, a living example of patience, love and devotion to her family and faith. Laura was indeed a godly woman who loved her family and her God.

It is a fitting memorial to the life of Laura Andersen Carter to honor her with a scholarship which will help young people further their education at Northwest Nazarene University. A special thanks to her granddaughter Brenda Carter Dyer, a 1985 elementary education graduate of NNC, for establishing 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 who are majoring in education;
3. Financial need shall be a consideration but not a requirement in the awarding of this scholarship;
4. Recipients may receive the award in successive years, not to exceed four years;
5. Nominations for this award are to be made through the Education Department and the Office of Financial Aid.

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