This scholarship, started by alumni and friends of Science Math Associates, seeks to honor the NNC careers of Darrell and Neva Marks.

Darrell’s thirty-nine year career at NNC began in 1959 with a teaching position in mathematics/physics and ended in 1998 with a position as Vice President for Institutional Advancement. In between these two positions Darrell served as Chair of the Department of Physics and later as Chair of the Division of Mathematics and Natural Science.

Neva’s twenty-seven year career at NNC began and ended in the Office of the Registrar where she served students, faculty and administration.

Darrell and Neva grew up in Idaho. Both came to NNC as students in the fall of 1954. They were married in the fall of 1955. Darrell graduated from NNC in 1958 and began graduate work at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Nuclear Engineering, graduating in 1959. They then returned to NNC where Darrell assumed a teaching position in mathematics. After two years of teaching, Darrell took a leave of absence from NNC to pursue graduate studies at Oregon State University in Biophysics, graduating with a Ph.D. degree in 1965. Darrell and Neva then returned to NNC where Darrell resumed his teaching career in the Division of Mathematics and Natural Science.

Both Darrell and Neva found rewarding careers at NNC. Their years of interaction with students cemented their belief in the lasting value of a Christian liberal arts education. It is a source of satisfaction to them to know that their scholarship will enable future students to experience the great heritage of NNC.

Criteria for the Award

1. Recipients are to be freshman students of Christian commitment who indicate a major in physics or engineering who meet NNC’s criteria for an honor scholarship;
2. Recipients may receive the award in successive years, not to exceed 4 years, by maintaining a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.30;
3. Financial need shall be a consideration in the awarding of this scholarship;
4. Nominations for this award are to be made by the Department of Physics and Engineering for approval by the Scholarship Committee. Nominations for this scholarship must be made by the date of awarding of financial aid for all freshmen.

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.