

## **Helen and Chuck Arsenault Memorial Scholarship**

Greater Worcester Community Foundation

This scholarship was created in 1992 by an anonymous friend to celebrate the life and generous nature of Helen Arsenault, “a very warm and caring person, always quick to lend an ear or offer a smile.” When Helen’s husband, Chuck, died in 2008, the name of the scholarship changed to honor them both. An award is given each year to a Leicester High School student who has shown good citizenship and motivation to succeed.

Helen was born and raised in Leicester, where she and Chuck lived throughout their 29-year marriage. Their two children both graduated from Leicester High School. While Helen and Chuck both had successful careers, their daughter, Lisa, recalls that “they were always available to us and supported our endeavors.”

Helen worked for Masterman’s, an Industrial Safety Supplies company, almost from its beginning in 1961. She was a devoted employee and close friend of the Masterman family. She enjoyed traveling and volunteered for the Leicester Mothers’ Club and the Worcester Emblem Club.

Chuck was a graduate of Worcester State College and a U.S. Air Force veteran who served in the Korean War. He worked for 27 years as an optical engineer at American Optical Company in Southbridge. Chuck enjoyed golf and was a dedicated member of the Worcester Lodge of Elks.

When Helen developed lung cancer, Chuck cared for her at home until her last days; she passed away at the age of 59. Chuck died in 2008 at age 78. This scholarship is a loving memorial to a couple who were devoted to family, friends, long-time employers, and their Leicester community.

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