

## Devoted parents with a love of community.

Harry and Irene Staley lived in a modest home and never accumulated wealth in money or possessions. In their declining years, each stated that they believed they had had a wonderful life. They provided their children with opportunities that had not been available to them. Their contributions to their church and community were significant. They had a wonderful life because they made other people's lives better.



The Staleys contributed to the vitality of their community.

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## Scholarship Award

Irene and Harry Staley Scholarship  
of  
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The  
Heart Behind  
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# The Staleys ...

*Irene Lee Staley:  
1906-1997*

*Harry Walter Staley:  
1908-1986*



The Staleys created a stable, loving family.

Important to them:

**Joy**

**Volunteerism**

**Family**

**Education**

**&**

**Spirit**

Please accept this grant in memory of **Irene and Harry Staley** who were born in Missouri and moved from Kansas City to Ilion, New York in 1946 as the result of Harry's job transfer by DuPont's Remington Arms Division.

Harry was the maintenance supervisor for the Ilion plant until his retirement in 1971.

Irene Staley stayed at home to raise her three children - Harry, Dolores and Janice.

Throughout their married life of 57 years, they had two goals: to raise and educate their children to be responsible, caring adults; and to enrich their church and community through volunteer activities.

They began their volunteer activities by being actively involved in the organizations where their children were participants, including Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Parent Teacher's Association, DeMolay, Triangle and all school and church related functions.

As their children, all graduates of Bucknell University, began their own lives, Harry and Irene became more involved in community organizations, usually in leadership positions. They were both active for over 25 years at the Mohawk Valley General Hospital, and Mohawk Valley Nursing Home. Harry served in every position on the board of Trustees, and

Irene was one of the founders and president of the Woman's Guild, which raised money for medical equipment

through operation of a snack bar, gift shop and numerous fundraising events.

They were involved in all areas of the First Baptist Church.

Irene was on the board and president of the Homestead, a retirement home for women; president of the Historical Society; member of American Baptist Women's Society; member, Ilion Council Church Women United; recruiting chairman, Red Cross Bloodmobile; board member, Ilion Day Care Center; and fund-raiser for American Cancer Society. In all of these activities Harry participated in and supported Irene's endeavors.

This is only a listing of some of the organizations where they gave freely and

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To make a contribution and help share Irene and Harry's spirit for volunteerism, send a check to The Community Foundation payable to: Irene and Harry Staley Scholarship Fund.