

# DOROTHY A. JOHNSON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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Dorothy A. Johnson  
1917—2016

Dorothy was born and raised in Detroit, the daughter of George T. and Viola (Cull) Moylan. She graduated from St. Anthony's School, earned her Bachelor Degree in Social Work from Marygrove College, and worked with St. Vincent De Paul Family Services until she married Dr. Philip R. Johnson in 1941 in Detroit. They moved to Mt. Pleasant, where she resided for more than 70 years. In addition to being a loving wife, mother and grandmother, she was a business woman, store owner, and member of the Mt. Pleasant Downtown Business Association.

She was active in her community, serving on the City Parks and Recreation Commission, volunteering at the hospital, her church and her children's school. She was also a founding member of Sacred Heart

Academy Foundation. She was a woman of faith with a kind and empathetic nature, who taught religious education to developmentally disabled adults and treated everyone with kindness, dignity and respect. Mrs. Johnson was an active learner who kept current with national, state and local public issues. She studied conversational Russian at Central Michigan University and traveled to Russia and later to Brazil, England, and Norway. She was an avid card player (Bridge was her favorite!) and she played it socially and competitively. She also enjoyed creative crafts, including hat and hand-stitched quilt-making. She canned pears and grapes she grew in her own yard and gave away much of it to anyone who expressed an interest.

She encouraged her children to take dance, music and art lessons and, despite witnessing hours of practice at home, she attended all of their recitals and programs. She was physically active and remarkably strong, learning to swim later in life and regularly walking for exercise. Dorothy loved big family gatherings and hosted reunions for many years at Huffman Lake near Gaylord, where her children and grandchildren could spend time together, playing, laughing and eating.

When she died in August of 2016, Mrs. Johnson left a legacy of family including 8 children, 26 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren. Her scholarship fund within the SHA Foundation was not established as a memorial. It was established years earlier to recognize Dorothy's contributions to the SHA Foundation. Interest from the endowment provides tuition assistance to Sacred Heart Academy families. The Fund is a lasting and fitting tribute to Mrs. Johnson's devotion to God, her commitment to Catholic education, and her dedication to the SHA Foundation.



For further information about the Dorothy A. Johnson Scholarship Fund or other Named Funds,

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