

ED AND BETTY WILCOX

PERFORMING ARTS FUND

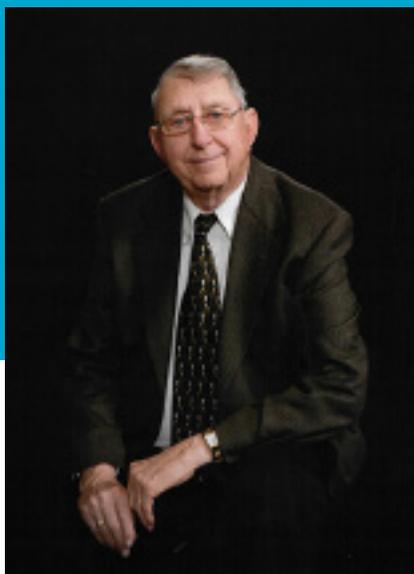
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Fund Founders

Ed and Betty Wilcox are High School sweethearts from Rolfe, Iowa. They graduated from Rolfe High School and married on May 31, 1953. Then, the couple proceeded to start a journey that would take them across the United States.

In August of 1953, Ed was drafted into the Army. After he completed basic training, he was stationed in Fort Belvoir, Virginia where he became a company clerk and attained the rank of Sergeant First Class. Once discharged, the Wilcox family moved to Florida where Ed worked in a Ford dealership, specializing in parts. In 1966, the family moved back to Iowa where Ed took a job with Ernie Williams LTD. From there, Ed only moved up. He worked in sales, became a manager and by 1992, succeeded in working his way into ownership.

Much of the couple's success can be attributed to their home, Algona, Iowa. There, the couple raised five children, Kristine, Jo Ann, Karen Sue, James and Jody. The community has provided excellent schools, churches and businesses which have greatly blessed the family.

A love for business and hard work became embedded into the core of their family. With the help of their son, James, the Wilcox's have been successful in expanding their business. They now own four John Deere stores and two Harley-Davidson stores.

In appreciation to all the community has given them, Ed and Betty sought out opportunities to give back. Partnering with the Community Foundation to establish the Ed and Betty Wilcox Center for the Performing Arts Fund has ensured a forever impact on their beloved community. “Our dreams are that the money invested will be sufficient to maintain the Center for many years to come.”



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