

Roger & Arline Moltenbrey Memorial Endowment



Roger Moltenbrey was born on November 27, 1927, in Russell, Massachusetts to Albert and Mildred Moltenbrey. He attended Russell Elementary School and Westfield High School. Roger was the captain of the Westfield High football team the year they won the coveted Western Massachusetts Peanut Bowl Championship!

Arline Nelson was born on October 26, 1927, in Greenfield, Massachusetts to William and Helen Nelson. She attended Greenfield Schools and later moved to Westfield with her family. She then attended Westfield High and was a member of the cheerleading squad. Arline received an associate's degree from Becker Junior College in Worcester.

Roger and Arline dated through high school and were married in 1949. He was a sales representative, and she worked as a medical secretary. They had three children, all of whom attended Westfield Schools and went on to earn college degrees.

Roger served as a member of the Westfield School Committee for two terms in the 1960's. He was elected to the Westfield City Council in the early 1970's and served one term. Golf and skiing were Roger's favorite hobbies. Arline enjoyed gardening, sewing and crafts. In 1980, they moved to East Otis, MA and had a home on the Otis Reservoir. Roger continued his public service there and served as a selectman.

Roger Moltenbrey passed away in 1992 and never got a chance to see his grandchildren grow up. Arline loved being a grandmother until her death in 2004. Roger and Arline were blessed with six grandchildren, of whom they were very proud. One grandchild has earned a master's degree, three have earned bachelor's degrees, and the two youngest are heading for high school and college. Education was and remains an important part of their grandchildren's lives.

The Roger and Arline Moltenbrey Memorial Endowment was established by Lee Ann and Andrew Roy, and William and Rosemary Moltenbrey in loving memory of their parents. It is our way to say thank you to the Westfield CSF, and it is an excellent opportunity to give back to the Westfield community.

Written by: Lee Ann Roy

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