The Dr. William E. Phillips Jr. Leadership Marion Scholarship was established by the Marion County Chamber of Commerce to recognize and honor Dr. Phillips for his service. From 1982 to 1998, he was chair of the Leadership Marion Program sponsored by the Marion County Chamber of Commerce and Fairmont State University.

Dr. Phillips was a U.S. Army veteran and lifelong educator. He was an active member of his community, involved in many leadership roles. Dr. Phillips was recognized by Fairmont State with the Alumni Letter Winner of Distinction award in 1992, and the Alumni Achievement Award in 2003. He was also honored with the Marion County Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement Award.

Dr. Phillips passed away at the age of 87 on August 30, 2021.

ABOUT THE FUND

The recipient must be a graduating senior of a Marion County high school demonstrating participation in leadership development and community service organizations and activities. Eligible students must be enrolled in a private or public vocational training program, apprenticeship, technical, 2-year, or 4-year institution in West Virginia. This is a one-time, non-renewable scholarship.

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