



United Methodist Foundation of Northern Illinois Conference, Inc.

A Generous Legacy

Bob and Curlie Engdahl have had quite the life. They raised three children. Bob founded an ink-making business, which he owned and operated for almost 30 years. Faithful members of First United Methodist Church of Elmhurst for more than 48 years, Curlie continues to spend early mornings weekly during the fall months kneading, raising and baking breads for the UMW church bazaar. They share great love for God's creation. Curlie spent most of her adult life with daily bike trips to savor the sights and smells of God's good earth, and to build her strength for sailing. They share a love of the sea, and as accomplished sailors, took the trip of a lifetime – sailing around the world, just the two of them.

In their senior years now, they have simplified their life, moving out of their family home into a retirement community in nearby Naperville. They continue to honor the things they have always held dear in their estate plans – their children and grandchildren, Bob's college, and their church home at First UMC.

Bob and Curlie have left their legacy to these treasures. Knowing how charitable gift annuities work from the gift planned with Bob's college, the Engdahls have also established a charitable gift annuity to benefit First United Methodist Church of Elmhurst.