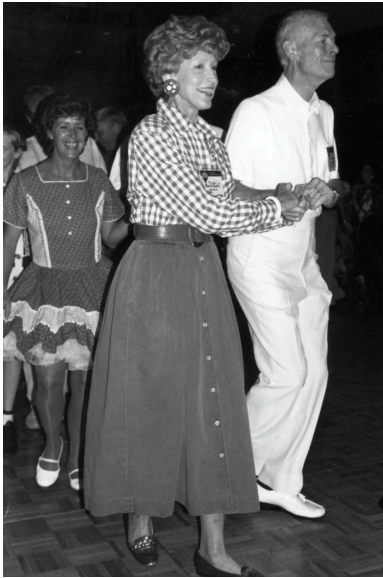


# JOHN AND MARTHA HAWORTH

A LEGACY OF SERVICE, SCHOLARSHIP AND LOVE FOR COMMUNITY



River Landing at Sandy Ridge is deeply honored to announce a meaningful estate gift from the late John Richardson Haworth, Sr. and his beloved wife, Martha Wells Haworth — a couple whose lives reflected devotion to family, service to others and an unwavering commitment to learning, leadership and community.

Their estate gift supports Brightspire Foundation, continuing a legacy of generosity they demonstrated throughout their lifetimes, which included contributions to the Foundation while they were residents, and will provide resident financial assistance while ensuring peace of mind for future generations who call River Landing home.

“John and Martha were amazing residents and active members of this community for many years. They were generous with both their time and resources, and we miss them dearly,” says Tom Smith, Executive Director at River Landing.

John and Martha shared an extraordinary life together — one shaped by purpose, curiosity, compassion and a deep appreciation for education and civic engagement.

Born in High Point, John was a decorated attorney, respected leader and proud U.S. Navy veteran. After graduating from Guilford College and earning his law degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, he went on to build a distinguished 66-year legal career marked by integrity, justice and service. Throughout his lifetime, John served on the High Point City Council, led numerous professional organizations, supported historical and civic initiatives and played an influential role within the North Carolina Bar Association, where he later became a Hall of Fame inductee. He was also a devoted Quaker and longtime member of Springfield Friends Meeting.

Martha was equally remarkable — a talented educator, artist, storyteller and lifelong learner. A graduate of Woman’s College in Greensboro and later UNCG’s Master of Library Science program, she spent more than 30 years teaching and shaping young minds. Beyond the classroom, Martha embraced creativity in all forms, from writing and sewing to watercolor art, floral design and music. She was known for her humor, warmth and vibrant spirit, and for the joy she shared with others through her many talents.

The Haworths found a welcoming home at River Landing, where they embraced laughter, friendship and the sense of belonging that comes from living in a caring, mission-driven community. While at River Landing, John enjoyed utilizing the fitness center and playing BINGO, often sharing his candy winnings with patients at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center's Clinic. Martha especially enjoyed playing her kazoo rigged trumpet as a member of the Presbyterian Home Band at River Landing. Their time at River Landing was filled with connection, support and fellowship — values that deeply aligned with the lives they lived.

Their estate gift is a beautiful expression of gratitude and trust — a reflection of their belief in caring for others and strengthening the place they chose to call home. By supporting resident financial assistance through the endowment, their generosity will help ensure that River Landing continues to be a community where security, dignity and belonging are preserved for years to come.

River Landing is profoundly grateful for the legacy John and Martha leave behind. Their lives of service, learning and fellowship will continue to inspire our community, and their thoughtful gift will make a lasting difference in the lives of residents — now and in the future.

Their story is a reminder that a generous heart can shape a legacy far beyond a lifetime. The Haworths will forever be remembered with deep appreciation, admiration and love by the entire River Landing family.



### **Have you thought about investing in the future of River Landing at Sandy Ridge?**

Current and future gifts to Brightspire Foundation can be earmarked to support River Landing at Sandy Ridge to reflect your philanthropic priorities. If you would like to learn about the various ways you can make a gift that fits your specific goals, please visit [kintura.mylegacygift.org](http://kintura.mylegacygift.org) for more information. On our planned giving website, you can also read more stories, like this one, of individuals whose legacies of generosity greatly impacted their community. To discuss planned giving opportunities or to share your intentions of including the Foundation in your estate plans, please contact Philanthropy Director, Terrill Sandiford, at [tsandiford@kintura.org](mailto:tsandiford@kintura.org) or Executive Vice President of Philanthropy, Marisa E. Ray, at [mray@kintura.org](mailto:mray@kintura.org) or by calling 336.886.6553.

Those who have made provisions to include River Landing at Sandy Ridge and the Foundation in their estate plans are invited to join the River Landing at Sandy Ridge Society.

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