

JACK AND KAY MENIUS

COUPLE'S LEGACY OF GENEROSITY SUPPORTS GLENAIRE RESIDENTS



Glenaire is honored to announce a generous estate gift from the late Dr. Jack Alan Menius Sr. and his wife, Kay Elizabeth Ellis Menius, whose lives were defined by service, faith and love for others. Their generosity helps ensure that Glenaire residents, both today and in the future, will continue to experience security, dignity and community.

The Menius' gift – a gift of stock totaling just over \$100,000 – has been designated to the Micou Browne Endowment, which provides confidential financial support to residents who, through no fault of their own, find themselves unable to fully cover their living expenses.

In keeping with Jack and Kay's lifelong spirit of giving, their legacy will help neighbors in need and strengthen the community they cherished.

Sisters Suzanne Menius and Merry Kay Leithead recall: "Our parents always prioritized giving back to their community and to those in need. Their life together reflected kindness and service to others. When making plans for their estate, they knew they wanted to benefit Glenaire. As their daughters, it was important to us both that their wishes for their legacy were honored."

Jack was born in New Bern, N.C., in 1933 and went on to build a distinguished career in pediatric dentistry, specializing in the care of children with special needs. For nearly 25 years, he served as director of the Dental Division at Murdoch Developmental Center in Butner, N.C., while also mentoring future dentists as an adjunct faculty member at the UNC Adams School of Dentistry. He was widely respected for his compassion, leadership and dedication to education. In 1995, the Dental Foundation of North Carolina established the Dr. Jack Menius Fellowship in Pediatric Dentistry, honoring his lasting impact on generations of children and young professionals.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, Jack was known for his humor, warmth and "Jack of all trades" spirit. He loved music, sang in the choir at White Memorial Presbyterian Church, built a barn for his daughters' horses and found joy in community service. After moving to Glenaire in 2014, he became known for his quick wit, his friendships – including the "End of the Hall Gang" dinners – and his grateful spirit. In his own words, he often said, "I am in a good place."

Kay Menius was born in Norfolk, Va., in 1936 and lived a life centered on music, faith and family. A gifted pianist, she studied on scholarship from the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra and carried her love of music throughout her life, sharing her talent by accompanying choirs, leading worship and entertaining friends and neighbors at Glenaire. She also loved gardening, earning her Master Gardener certification and filling her home and community with beauty.

Kay was deeply involved at White Memorial Presbyterian Church, where she served for decades as a pastoral assistant, elder, choir member, teacher and mentor. Her grace, warmth and willingness to listen touched everyone who knew her. At Glenaire, she continued those gifts, playing piano for Vespers and in the dining room, volunteering her time and helping with the community's landscaping projects.

Together, Jack and Kay shared 63 years of marriage. They raised three children, passed on a love of music and service and built a legacy rooted in faith, generosity and care for others. Their children and grandchildren carry that spirit forward, and this estate gift reflects their shared desire to give back to the community that gave them so much.

"Jack and Kay's support of Glenaire through this gift is a testament to the way they lived. Their commitment to community and causes they cared about was apparent to all who knew them. We are appreciative of their giving spirit, which will impact Glenaire residents for years to come," says Ben Stevens, Executive Director.



Have you thought about investing in the future of Glenaire?

Current and future gifts to Brightspire Foundation can be earmarked to support Glenaire 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 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 Terrill Sandiford, Director, Philanthropy, at tsandiford@kintura.org or Marisa E. Ray, Executive Vice President, Philanthropy, at mray@kintura.org or by calling 336.886.6553.

Those who have made provisions to include Glenaire and the Foundation in their estate plans are invited to join the Glenaire Society.

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