

PLANNING FROM THE HEART

INSPIRATIONAL STORIES, NEWS AND CHARITABLE GIVING STRATEGIES



Carol and Bud Adams

CONTINUING TO DO HER PART WITH A FUTURE GIFT

As a cradle Catholic who has been active in her faith throughout her lifetime, Carol Adams believes all parishioners need to contribute to the Church and parish life.

“I think it is vital for parishioners to contribute to the Church for it to be able to fund the important facets involved in education, including its teachers, both lay and clerical. Contributions of parishioners are also necessary for support of our priests, active and retired,” she said. “Parishioners need to assume financial responsibility for the well-being of their church.”

Carol has included her parish, St. Agnes in Weiser, in her will because she wanted to help care for the physical upkeep of the parish after her death. “There are so many reasons for parishioners to pay their fair share of the expenses of a formed community and to tithe; it’s quite beyond me to understand why it is not the first component of their budget,” she said.

Carol was born in Remsen, Iowa, but moved to Weiser in 1969 with her husband, Bud. They have five children and have been married 64 years. “I strongly believe in home as the learning place for children for respect and love of God,” she said.

For 13 years, even though she served as a deputy county clerk for Washington and Payette counties and as a presentence investigator for the Idaho State Department of Corrections, she still found time to volunteer as parish secretary for St. Agnes. She continues to volunteer as a lay eucharistic minister, bringing communion to shut-ins, hospitals and nursing homes.

In 2015, the Idaho Catholic Council of Women named her Woman of the Year for her years of service to the Church and council.

Like Carol, you can help ensure the Church is provided for with a gift in your will or other estate plans. To learn more, please contact Margaret Hampton at mhampton@rcdb.org or (208) 342-1311, Ext. 5139.

ENSURE YOUR VALUES LIVE ON

We are a changed community, forced to slow down by the events of the past year. It's been a time of reflection, about who we are and who we want to be.

As we rebuild our lives, we can make them stronger, more connected. One way to move ahead and shape the future is by developing a personal values inventory to guide our decisions. This can help you define and prioritize what's most important, as well as identify areas to develop further. **An inventory allows you to:**

Create a sense of belonging. A shared history or similar interests help you identify others like you. If you believe in the Catholic Church's mission, where can you extend your connection?

Find purpose and meaning. Your skills and talents can lead to exciting opportunities to help others. Share your passions with your loved ones or organizations that can benefit, such as the Church.

Dream big. Use your values to set goals—whether for this year or 10 years from now. Involve others to amplify your impact.

Deepen your values through philanthropy.

Weaving the two can make a significant difference for organizations that are close to your heart. Explore creative ways to give back. If you don't have the budget to help today, a future gift to the Church can be a meaningful way to help in the years to come.

Feel Good About Giving Back

Finding your value match is a powerful exercise that can help you feel good about your place in the community and the world. To discuss ways you can help the Church in the future, please contact us.



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