



Robert M. and Thelma G. Flory Doctoral Study Award

The Robert M. and Thelma G. Flory Doctoral Study Award was established in 2008 by Thelma G. Flory, with funds designated in support of PA College by her late husband Robert M. Flory in his estate. The endowed fund supports PA College nursing faculty who are pursuing doctoral study, doctoral research or postdoctoral research.

Robert M. Flory (1921-2000) was born in Lancaster and was a member of the first graduating class of McCaskey High School in 1939. He served in the U.S. Air Force during WWII as a lieutenant and lead bombardier with the 8th Air Force Second Combat Division H53rd Bomb Group. He made his career in the tourist industry, as owner and operator of the Nomad Motel and later the former Amish Homestead attraction among other Lancaster County properties.

Mr. Flory did not have an affluent upbringing, instead acquiring his wealth through a lifetime of hard work, which was coupled with a commitment to always helping others. As a philanthropist, Mr. Flory donated generously to Lancaster area charitable causes, including Lancaster General Hospital and PA College.

It is Mrs. Flory's hope that the recipients of this award will pursue their doctoral studies in the spirit of improving nursing education and inspiring nursing students for life-long learning.

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