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### **Quick Facts**

- The Ann Bass Upton Fund supports future teachers who need financial assistance to earn a Winthrop degree.
- Upton, a former Winthrop student, was a lifelong educator.



ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA - Ann Bass Upton's brief time at Winthrop left her with many happy memories – and a desire to support future teachers. Today the late educator's family, led by daughter Marsha Upton Munn, and friends have established the Ann Bass Upton Fund to help promising future teachers realize their dream of earning a Winthrop University degree.

Established with a \$20,000 gift, the Ann Bass Upton Fund will contribute matching scholarship support for funds from the THA Scholarship, provided by the THA Foundation's College Scholarship Program. The Upton Scholarship also will support

upperclassmen studying within the Richard W. Riley College of Education who need financial assistance to complete their degrees.

A native of Columbia, South Carolina, Upton began her education at Winthrop. Family circumstances after her sophomore year required her to transfer to the University of South Carolina; however, Upton always cherished her time at Winthrop. She went on to teach high school literature and coach the debate team at Asheville High School (then Lee H. Edwards High School) in Asheville, North Carolina. She later earned her master's degree at Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, North Carolina.

The Ann Bass Upton Fund, Munn explained, offers a fitting tribute to the woman who dedicated her life teaching and supporting future educators.

"Her favorite school was Winthrop," said Munn. "The fund is a nice way to honor her memory and help students who need financial assistance to finish their Winthrop degree."

Gifts to the Ann Bass Upton Fund support Winthrop's most promising teachers. To make a gift to the scholarship, visit http://www.winthrop.edu/give, or send checks payable to "Winthrop University Foundation" ("Ann Bass Upton Scholarship Fund" in the memo line) to:

ATTN: Ann Bass Upton Scholarship Fund 302 Tillman Hall Winthrop University Rock Hill, SC 29733

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