

HEALTHY INVESTMENTS

FOR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS OF A.T. STILL UNIVERSITY

SPRING 2024

\$1 MILLION GIFT TO A.T. STILL UNIVERSITY FUNDS DR. FREDERICK AND MRS. JOAN HRACHOVINA UNRESTRICTED ENDOWMENT

Frederick Vincent Hrachovina, DO, '56, reported he was an inch too tall to be accepted into the military during World War II. He was 6 feet, 7 inches and weighed 135 pounds at 18 years old. He kept growing until he was 23.

"Anyone over 6 feet, 7 inches tall in 1953 was a giant," Dr. Hrachovina remarked.

His destiny was not to be a soldier, but to be a healer.

Dr. Hrachovina became an osteopathic physician as his 30th birthday was rapidly approaching and his bride, Joan (Halverson), was at his side. This began a life together with a practice in Minnesota spanning nearly three decades. Dr. Hrachovina's career continued through the 1990s, when he served as an assistant professor at Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine and medical director at Associated Bioscience Inc. and Sera-Tec Biological Inc.

Following Dr. Hrachovina's death in 2011, Mrs. Hrachovina faithfully honored her



Frederick Hrachovina, DO, '56

husband, and the University he loved, with annual gifts to A.T. Still University (ATSU). These gifts, totaling more than \$600,000, supported a variety of programs and priorities, including the Interprofessional

Education Building, Dan Martin Court, and Museum of Osteopathic Medicine.

However, Mrs. Hrachovina's greatest priority was to uplift ATSU across all schools and programs, providing generous unrestricted gifts to meet the University's greatest needs. She understood unrestricted giving empowers

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ATSU to respond swiftly and effectively to evolving needs and offers flexibility to redirect resources to the most pressing priorities, ensuring a timely and impactful response.

ATSU received a final unrestricted gift of \$1 million from the Hrachovina estate following Mrs. Hrachovina's passing in late 2022. She wished to fund an endowment mimicking her generous unrestricted gifts and providing support in perpetuity.

ATSU is more vital and its future more promising because of Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Hrachovina's generosity and foresight.

We are so grateful you are part of our community and would be pleased to speak to you about the many ways you can show your love for ATSU students through your estate plan. Contact Brad Chambers at bradchambers@atsu.edu or 660.626.2494 today.



THE HRACHOVINA CHALLENGE

ATSU received a generous gift of \$1 million from the estate of Frederick Hrachovina, DO, '56, and Mrs. Joan Hrachovina. Dr. and Mrs. Hrachovina intended for this gift to address ATSU's greatest needs. With your help, the University community has the opportunity to double this gift's impact. By matching the Hrachovinas' contribution, dollar for dollar, ATSU will collectively receive \$2 million in funds to enhance the University right now!

This contribution is more than just a generous gift, it is a call to action for the entire ATSU community, including alumni, friends, and partners. It represents a chance to unite strengths, amplify impact, and secure resources needed to fulfill ATSU's purpose.

Accept this challenge and make a generous unrestricted charitable gift to ATSU today!

BUILDING YOUR LEGACY: SMART CHOICES FOR YOUR STAGE OF LIFE

Your values and priorities may change over time. Below are thoughtful ways to help you make giving decisions that align with your values in each decade of life.

In your 50s

- Share your dedication to preparing the whole-person healthcare providers of tomorrow through a **gift in your will or living trust**. It costs you nothing today!

In your 60s

- Create a steady stream of lifetime income for yourself or a loved one with a **gift that pays you income**. What's left of your gift will support students whose commitment to providing their patients with uniquely compassionate care will create a healthier world.
- Transform your **retirement plan** or **life insurance policy** into an impactful gift by adding A.T. Still University as a beneficiary. Contact your plan administrator to get started.

In your 70s

- If you are 70½ or older, **make a gift from your IRA** directly to ATSU and avoid paying income taxes on the money. Contact us for details.
- Establish a **gift that pays you income** with a tax-free distribution from your **IRA**. Special rules apply, so contact us to learn more.

In your 80s, 90s, and beyond

- If you choose to carry on your values through any of these legacy gifts, please **share your plans with us**. That way, we can take the necessary steps to ensure we carry out your wishes.

What's right for you

We are ready to help you explore which giving options best fit your personal circumstances, as well as the benefits of unrestricted gifts, which ensure we are prepared for whatever may come. Please contact Brad Chambers at bradchambers@atsu.edu or 660.626.2494.



The gift of a lifetime

Make the most significant gift of your lifetime — a gift whose benefits never end. Learn more in our FREE guide ***Give a Gift That Lasts Forever***. Simply return the enclosed reply card to receive yours.

TURN YOUR LOVE INTO YOUR LEGACY

A will isn't just a piece of paper — it's a piece of you

When you think of the word “family,” what comes to mind? Or rather, *who*?

Maybe biological relatives. Perhaps stepparents or stepchildren. Lifelong friends. A faith community. Advocates for a common cause.

Whether you're connected by biology, geography, shared values, or simply love, one thing is constant: Your family comprises people you care about and want to protect.

One of the most meaningful ways to protect that family is through your will. It's more than a set of documents outlining who gets your stuff — it's a lasting reflection of your love.

When you spend time considering and documenting how you want your possessions distributed, they become something much bigger: a legacy. Your care extends far beyond your lifetime. Your love lives on.

An even greater legacy

Your plan also gives you the power to provide for institutions you care about. Your heart for ATSU students — and their future patients — can be part of your legacy.

If you choose to include ATSU in your will, your loyalty will allow us to prepare our students to provide the most advanced, compassionate care for years to come.

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