



Loretta J. Belval Scholarship
Greater Worcester Community Foundation

Loretta J. Belval, who had a long career as a teacher and school administrator, was a firm believer in the value of education, especially for young women. This scholarship was created through her will in 2002 and is awarded to female graduating seniors from Grafton, Upton, Mendon, Northbridge, Uxbridge and Sutton who plan to enter the teaching profession. Preference is given to students from Northbridge, MA.

Loretta was born in Northbridge in 1931 and graduated from Northbridge High School in 1949. She earned a B.A. from UMass Amherst and a Master's in Education from Worcester State.

Loretta did not marry or have children. She lived in Uxbridge and taught in Abington, MA, then served as the Assistant Principal of the W. Edward Balmer Elementary School in Northbridge. An active member of Northbridge's Good Shepherd Church, Loretta served on the Parish Council, chaired the Bereavement Council, and co-chaired the Bishop's Fund.

Loretta passed away in 2000 at the age of 69. This scholarship is a tribute to her values and career, and forms an enduring legacy of support for the higher education and professional pursuits of young women.

For more information, please contact:
Greater Worcester Community Foundation
370 Main Street, Suite 650 • Worcester, MA 01608
508-755-0980 • scholar@greaterworcester.org