

Marlys Nelson Endowed Scholarship

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| Type: | Endowed |
| Amount: | Varies depending on investment income/loss (approximately \$750) |
| # Offered: | One per year |
| Deadline: | Refer to Allen College Institutional Scholarship Application |
| Established: | 2012 |
| Special Criteria: | Bachelor of Science in Nursing student enrolled in their final year of study. |

Marlys grew up in Minneapolis, but she married and raised three children in Waterloo. She is a Registered Nurse (RN) and Certified Occupational Health Nurse Specialist and has worked at Allen Hospital for more than 44 years. As part of the student health program, Marlys worked with Allen College students more than 20 years in both emergency and occupational health settings.

An avid singer and reader, Marlys is a member of the Allen College Chorus and leads a book club. She also is active in her church and enjoys kayaking and traveling in her free time.

Marlys first considered the benefits of contributing to Allen College when she helped establish an endowed scholarship at a college as part of her parents' estate. It was then that she realized it's a simple way to give a gift that keeps on giving. Marlys sees great value in helping students establish a foundation for a successful career in the medical field. She hopes to assist students in receiving a strong education, while graduating with less debt.