



The Bolton Scholarship Fund

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Rose Family Scholarship in memory of Sally and Allan Rose Established 2001

Sara Allen Rose was a wife, mother, Sunday school teacher, community member and employee of the Bolton School System for many years. She spent her life looking after the needs of others -- always ready to lend a word of encouragement, never criticizing or saying "I told you so." She found something good in everyone and every situation, always believing in and searching for the silver lining. Known to her friends as Sally, she believed that everyone deserved a chance, and a second chance, if necessary. She demanded nothing but the best of herself, but accepted others just as they were, never asking for more than they could give.

Sally was fiercely proud of her children and grandchildren, and supported them without fail in all their endeavors. Though she never had the opportunity to go beyond high school herself, she was an extremely intelligent, thoughtful person who took great interest in the fulfillment of others. She devoted her life to helping others achieve their highest potential, encouraging them to do their best both in school and in their personal development.

It is the family's hope that the recipient of this award shares Sally's belief that all people deserve help, hope, respect and love. They feel that she would be proud to know that, through this scholarship, she is helping a young person to pursue her belief that the world can never have enough positive energy and beautiful kind, and giving people.

Allan Lathrop Rose was a wonderful husband, father and friend. Born in Coventry, CT in 1915, he was raised on a farm during the Great Depression, learning early on that hard work was the key to success. He proudly served his country during World War II as a radio operator in the U.S. Navy. When he returned home in 1944, he built a solid home in Bolton with his wife, Sally, and (eventually) their five daughters. Over the course of their 52 year marriage, Allan and Sally achieved their goal of providing their children both solid roots and wings to carry them to their dreams.

Allan was a quiet man, knowledgeable about the important things in life, yet unlikely to share his opinions unless directly asked. Highly intelligent with a sharp wit, he was a gentleman true to his word and honest as the day is long. His life was one of hard work and limited financial reward, yet he was as successful as any man could be, as he was deeply loved by those who knew him and is sadly missed by those he left behind.

Allan was a Red Sox fan. His family hopes that the recipient of this award will be someone who can appreciate the kind of loyalty it takes to support a team that takes over 80 years to win the World Series. That would be someone who is kind to others, works hard every day (sunshine or rain), and may not necessarily be "the best", but happily plays the game anyway. That would honor Allan.