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An Oakesdale Childhood

For anyone born and raised in Oakesdale, the rolling hills, rich history and close-knit community leave an impression. Larry Stanley was no exception. As the son of one of Oakesdale's few barbers, Larry's childhood in Oakesdale inspired a compassionate work ethic. Now retired after a successful career, Larry is challenging the community to give back to the place that gave him so much.



Tommy and Tom Lathen in front of the barber shop, 1960.

With family roots running deep in Oakesdale, Tom Lathen stepped up to the challenge. Tom, too, is the son of a former Oakesdale barber and beloved community member, Tommy Lathen. Local residents would gather to get a \$1 haircut or just chat at Tommy's Barber Shop. Crippled from polio, Tommy worked hard, sometimes selling shoes on the side, to provide for his family of six, including Tom. A lifelong resident of Oakesdale, Tommy's mother Cecil Lathen also left her mark on the community. Born in 1884, Cecil arrived in Oakesdale as a young teacher. For many years, it was difficult to find an Oakesdale resident who didn't spend their first-grade year under Cecil's careful tutelage. By the time Tom left Oakesdale as a middle schooler, the community had captured a special place in his heart. To honor the legacy of his father Tommy and grandma Cecil, Tom and his wife, Kathy, made a gift to the fund, hoping to inspire others to uplift the Oakesdale community that has impacted so many.

How the fund works.

Larry is launching a \$20,000 matching gift challenge to establish the Oakesdale Community Endowed Fund at Innovia Foundation. Once endowed, the fund will exist for generations to come, preserving and nurturing what makes Oakesdale so special.

A council of Oakesdale residents will ensure the fund is making a transformational impact on the opportunities and needs that matter to the community, including revitalizing downtown, restoring local historic structures, enhancing public parks and play areas, building partnerships with first responders for community events, and investing in local school and youth development activities.

Will you join us?

- By leaving a gift in your will for the benefit of the Oakesdale Fund, you can maximize the impact of your generosity for the needs of today and tomorrow.
- Discuss your giving options with the Innovia Foundation gift planning team at 509-624-2606 or giftplanning@innovia.org.
- Gifts and pledges can be made online at www.innovia.org/oakesdale or by mail at:

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