



## Named Endowed Funds

### The CHS Class of 1963 Memorial Fund

The CHS Class of 1963 Memorial Fund was established by several 1963 classmates: Barry Bergquist, Mave Meisner, Bill Noreus, Sue Gillespie Jeanne Lafontaine Kortie, Myrna Spangeberg and Barb Renshaw.

They wanted to do something lasting and meaningful in memory of their late classmates. The idea was initiated after the unexpected death of former classmate Denny Breitbarth. Denny was an outstanding athlete and a member of the famed basketball team that made it to the state tournament final and lost by one point.

Barry Bergquist reminisces, "Going to Cloquet High School in the early 1960s was a wonderful experience. I remember the teachers who opened the world to us. Mr. Gus Gillespie was my favorite. His method of telling stories kept me mesmerized. I remember our championship football team under coach Bromberg. And our fantastic basketball team that went to the state tournament. Sports gave our small school a big identity and a source of pride. I enjoyed the dance events: Snoball, Prom and Post Prom. It was a time to socialize with classmates and try the latest dance craze, the Twist. Looking back I realize how easy and carefree life was at that time. When my friend Denny Breitbarth died unexpectedly last year, I wanted to honor him by leaving a legacy that would live on. I chose the Cloquet Educational Foundation because it has a good reputation of helping the youth of our community. It's a large foundation for a town our size and gives to a variety of programs. My classmates suggested we honor all our classmates who have died by establishing the CHS Class of 1963 Memorial Fund. What a tremendous impact that will have on the youth of Cloquet for years to come."

Donations may be made to the CHS Class of 1963 Memorial Fund. A memorial gift may be given in the name of an individual for the CHS Class of 1963 Memorial Fund.