The Maudie Bearden Religion Endowed Scholarship

Miss Maudie Bearden grew up in Oklahoma but came to Plainview and taught elementary school for 27 years. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Plainview where she developed a love for Wayland and its mission of educating students in a Christian environment. Because Miss Bearden never married and had no children, she made provisions in her will for scholarships at Wayland that would provide financial aid to students studying religion and education. She was 87 at the time of her death in 1990, and the executors of her estate established this scholarship in her name at that time.