BCCC endowment honors local businessman, Bobby Farish

Three students attending Beaufort County Community College this fall will receive financial assistance from an endowment created in memory of one of Washington's most successful businessmen.

The endowment, created in memory of Robert E. Farish Jr., will fund scholarships for a student in BCCC's automotive, criminal justice and business programs, BCCC Foundation Director Judy Meier Jennette recently announced.

Farish's wife, Rebecca, and son, Robert E. Farish III, created the endowment. Known to his friends as "Bobby," Farish was a successful businessman and entrepreneur whose business and civic interests are reflected in the programs whose students will receive scholarships.

"Bobby had a generous giving nature," said Mrs. Farish. "We will preserve this memory by continuing his tradition of giving." Mrs. Farish also said that those friends who wish to continue to remember Bobby could also contribute to the endowment.

A native of Norfolk, Va., Farish attended the Carolina Military Academy and graduated from Washington High School in 1969. He continued his education throughout his life including Atlantic Christian College; Advance Individual Training in MOS: 95B10, Military Police School, Ft. Gordon, Ga.; Ford Marketing Institute classes in Dealer Operation and Truck Selling Courses, and Wachovia Bank Business Development and Management Training.

Farish's military service included ROTC from 1966 to 1968 while he attended Carolina Military Academy, Advanced Individual Training in MOS and Military Police School, Ft. Gordon, Georgia in 1971. He was honorably discharged from the U.S. Army Reserve National Guard in 1976.

Farish had numerous business interests. He was a real estate developer and worked in several venues of service throughout his life including Bob Farish Ford Mercury, Washington Motor Company, builder and developer of the Farish Building and Brasswood Apartments, co-owner of Whalebone Motel, the Castaways Inn, Quality Inn & Suites, and Brownstone Inn.

He was on the Board of Directors for Capitol Credit Co., builder and developer of Taylor Place Apartments, developer of Ocean Isle Estates, a member of Whitebridge Apartments, a member of Bells Fork Crossing Apartments and co-developer of First Flight

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