

# IMPROVING LIVES BY BRIDGING RESOURCES AND FOSTERING COLLABORATION





#### PASSIONATE ABOUT HIS HOMETOWN Bob Morris Made a Legacy Plan

Bob Morris was raised in Lake Odessa Michigan, graduating in 1968. He lived his California dream in the San Diego area, after graduating from Michigan State University. Working as a computer software engineer, Bob enjoyed photography, high school reunions and preserving rural environments He was active in the Sierra Club serving as a chapter treasurer since 2013 and received the Special Service Award in June 2016 for providing exemplary service to the Club. Bob was preparing for his retirement, working on his farmhouse and historic barn whenever he came home to Lake Odessa.

When his sister-in-law, Jane Morris, passed away unexpectedly, Bob took charge of creating the path for his legacy. Should he still be in California when he passed, Bob did not want his Michigan properties to be held up by legal red tape. Bob met with his attorney in Lake Odessa and created a Lady Bird Deed, meaning that upon his death, the properties would become the legal property of the Barry Community Foundation – the proceeds from the sale activate the Bob Morris Memorial Testamentary Fund, forever providing income to his three favorite charities in Lake Odessa: the public library, the historical society, and the trails systems.

## WHAT'S YOUR LEGACY?

#### **Favorite Hometown Charities**

Imaging the delight when you get that call from the Barry Community Foundation and learn your nonprofit organization is the receipiant of a lifetime gift of thousands of dollars. Realizing the generousity of one man, who loved his hometown enough to plan accordingly and provide unimaginable impact. Now is the time to start visualizing what is important to you and your family and design a plan for creating a legacy that provides your passion with a gift that lives on for generations.



#### SUPPORTING OUR FARMERS

#### **Farmers Markets are open**



One of our key priorities at the Barry Community Foundation is to uplift programs to help promote a healthy community, such as administration of the Hastings Farmers Market. On the Barry County Courthouse lawn at 206 W. State St. in Hastings, local farmers and vendors come together twice a week to provide fresh, locally grown produce, handcrafted artisanitems, clothing, jewelry, baked goods and more. Starting Wednesday, May 3rd thru October 28, the weekly schedule will be:

Wednesday - II am to 4 pm Saturday - 9 am to I:30 pm

This year, we are excited to continue offering several food access programs with the able to uplift our local farmers and vendors who are producing here in our community, to improve access to healthy foods for those in our community who need a helping hand. Shopping at farmers markets supports your local farmers and keeps the money you spend on food closer to your neighborhood.

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