

Frederick D. Grant, Sr.

For Frederick D. Grant, Sr., the University of Maryland Eastern Shore is more than his alma mater—it is where a lifelong commitment to education, leadership, and service began. The values he embraced as a student have guided a career and life dedicated to uplifting others.

A native of Martinsville, Virginia, Mr. Grant earned his Bachelor of Science degree from UMES before dedicating 43 years to Worcester County Public Schools. Rising from Industrial Education teacher to principal of Pocomoke High School, his visionary leadership helped the school earn designation as a Maryland Blue Ribbon School of Excellence in 2000. He later served as Supervisor of Student Services, positively impacting countless students and families before retiring in 2013. Mr. Grant's commitment to serving others extends far beyond the classroom. Through decades of volunteerism, community leadership, mission work, and providing home repairs for those in need, he has devoted his time and talents to improving the lives of others. His extraordinary dedication to service was recognized with the 2021 WBOC Jefferson Award, a fitting tribute to a lifetime spent giving back.

As a proud UMES alumnus, Mr. Grant continues to invest in the University that helped shape his journey. In 2022, he and his wife, Sharone, established the Frederick D. and Sharone V. Grant PGA Golf Management Endowment Fund, providing scholarships and program support for students in the PGA Golf Management Program. His generosity also extends to other scholarship funds, student extracurricular activities, and the Mama Hytche Food Pantry, reflecting his steadfast belief in supporting students both inside and outside the classroom.

The University of Maryland Eastern Shore proudly celebrates Frederick D. Grant, Sr. for his leadership, generosity, and unwavering Hawk Pride. His lifelong dedication to education, community service, and philanthropy continues to create opportunities for students and serves as an inspiring example of what it means to give back.

