2003 Award Recipient

Robert E. Maynard, Jr. ’63

Bob Maynard, few alumni have given as much of themselves to their alma mater as you. Your leadership skills were acquired early, and you demonstrated them during your undergraduate years through various athletic activities, such as football and track, through your fraternity, Phi Kappa Theta, and as a member of Skull.

Following graduation, you transferred those skills to your work at R.H. White Construction Co., and to your alma mater through your volunteer efforts. For example, you are the only individual to serve in the two top leadership positions of the Alumni Association-as president of the alumni body and as chair of the Alumni Funds Board. You were selected for those important roles because of your vision, wisdom and unwavering commitment to an institution you love.

During your tenure as Alumni Association president, you presided over the formation of a new organizational structure and the implementation of the Alumni Gateway—an electronic network for alumni on the WPI Web site. As chair of the Alumni Funds Board, you oversaw the second major alumni fund-raising master plan, setting the stage for WPI's current $150 million campaign. You also have been an active member of your class, chairing your class reunion twice, chairing your Class Board of Directors, serving as a head agent and, for forty years, serving as class secretary. Throughout your lifetime you have been a generous donor; at WPI, you are a member of the President's Advisory Council.

Bob Maynard, for your unstinting loyalty, leadership and largesse, we are proud to present to you the Herbert F. Taylor Alumni Award for Distinguished Service to WPI.