

# Proud Veteran. Loving Father. Generous Donor.

How a Salvation Army charitable gift annuity benefits Bill, his daughter, and others.

Before he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force at age 18 in 1951, Bill had left the state of Maine only once: when his North Yarmouth Academy basketball team was treated to a Boston Bruins hockey game after winning the 1950-51 state championship.

Bill's horizons widened considerably as his Air Force stint took him from Rome, New York, to Cheyenne, Wyoming, to San Francisco, where he boarded a ship for Japan. For the next two years, he served his country in Korea and Japan as an airman first class, specializing in communications.

Stationed at Andrews Air Force Base upon his return to the U.S., he met Mary Ann, the love of his life. They were married in 1955 and soon returned to Maine, living in a tiny apartment in South Portland. Bill remembers the apartment was so small, that the toilet seat had to be used as a fourth seat when guests came to call.

Bill spent the latter part of his career as a mediator, specializing in labor relations. He had one daughter, Kathleen "Kathie". Now that Mary Ann has passed away, Bill and his daughter, a retired nurse who works for Senior Homecare, live together on Memorial Highway in North Yarmouth.

In the past few years, Bill began donating regularly to The Salvation Army because he likes helping people in his community

and, as he puts it, "The Salvation Army keeps its administrative costs remarkably low."

Recently, Bill looked into the idea of investing in one of The Salvation Army's charitable gift annuities. The rate of return had just been increased, and Bill liked the idea of being able to give his daughter a lifetime stream of income, while enjoying a sizable charitable tax deduction for himself.

Both Bill and Kathie are also pleased to know that their charitable gift annuity will be helping those who are hurting and hungry in their local area. Kathie says, "I know The Salvation Army will help those in need, because you are a wonderful, trustworthy organization."

This Veteran's Day, we are proud to salute veterans and donors like Bill for their service and support.



## Serving those who serve our country since 1919.

From the donut girls of WWI to those helping homeless veterans today, the people of The Salvation Army have been providing comfort and care to generations of service men and women.

Veterans support us too – through generous bequests, as well as charitable gift annuities, which provide them and their loved ones with fixed income for life.

On this Veterans Day, we thank you for your service and support. To learn how we help – and how you can help us through charitable gift annuities – call Amy Anderson at 207-245-3734.

