

TAYLOR-MADE ROOFING TO ESTABLISH ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP AT SBU

BOLIVAR, Mo. – Russell and Orlando Taylor of Taylor-Made Roofing have given \$50,000 to establish a new endowed scholarship at Southwest Baptist University – the Vivian Sue Long Scholarship Fund.

The scholarship is designed to assist students based first on financial need with first preference going to students who have lost one or both parents to death, or students who enter SBU from the foster care system.

“We hope this scholarship is an inspiration to the fact that dreams can be accomplished,” Orlando Taylor said. “I hope that the recipients know that we truly care about them and how their college experiences shape their perspectives and ultimately their futures.”

Vivian Sue Long was influential in the early years of Russell and Orlando Taylor’s lives, instilling in them traits and characteristics that have lasted multiple generations, according to Taylor-Made Roofing. Though she passed away during their early childhood, the Taylors have not forgotten the impact that she made in their lives. The memories of her free spirit, loving heart and kindness still resonate with them both. Through this scholarship, they hope to honor her tenacity and drive for raising up the next generation.

“We are thankful to Russell and Orlando Taylor for their support for Southwest Baptist University,” said Dr. Brad Johnson, vice president for institutional advancement. “This scholarship, honoring the life of Vivian Sue Long, will even further facilitate our work of preparing students for roles of leadership and service throughout the world.

“Scholarships like this help extend our reach and expand our opportunity to influence our world for Christ.”

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