

Dr. Michael A. Harpold

Dr. Michael A. Harpold, '64, grew up in Kanawha County and studied chemistry and mathematics at WVSU while working full time as a technician at Union Carbide. After graduating with degrees in chemistry and mathematics, he went on to pursue a Ph.D. in chemistry at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, an NIH-funded post-doctoral fellowship at the University of California at Berkeley, and a distinguished career as a chemist, executive and entrepreneur. Dr. Harpold has established the Anna Harpold Endowed Scholarship in loving memory of his mother, Anna Harpold. In the past year, he has provided generous scholarship support for chemistry students and funding for experiential learning opportunities such as student internships, outreach activities through the American Chemical Society, and more.