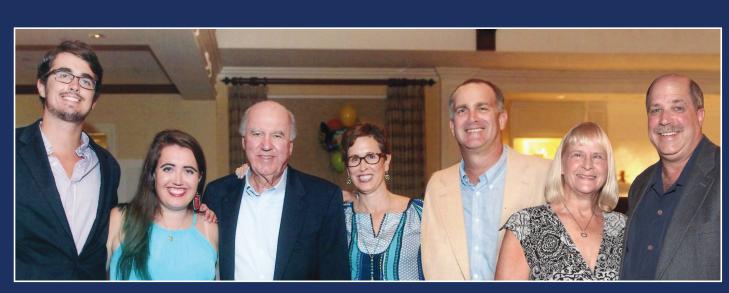


Meet the Lichtenberger Family.

It is an honor to partner with them and to share the story of their philanthropic journey.

Generations repaying what was given.



The Lichtenberger family: grandson Blake Krass, granddaughter Emma Krass, H. William Lichtenberger, daughter Lisa Krass, son-in-law Kurt Krass, daughter-in-law PK Lichtenberger, son Erich Lichtenberger.

Bill Lichtenberger remembers those who gave when he needed it most. CARE packages received in war-torn Europe. The Salvation Army on a frigid Buffalo night when fire destroyed his apartment. These experiences led to a lifelong commitment to give back—a commitment shared by his family.

Each generation of Lichtenbergers remembers others helping them along the way and feels obligated to pay it forward. Lisa's interest in philanthropy began at an early age and today her hands-on approach allows her to personally observe the impact of their generosity. Inspired by both Bill and his own father, Kurt devoted his career to improving education so others may pursue their dreams.

Erich and PK support several charities that help adults and children with intellectual and developmental disabilities. As a teenager, Emma chose to spend her birthday with Habitat for Humanity, launching her drive to serve her community. She now helps small nonprofits find grant funding. Like his sister, Blake lives a lesson learned early—the most valuable gift is your time. As he grew, his gifts of time and money for those less fortunate have grown too.

Emma speaks for the entire family when she says, "I am grateful for my family's shared passion and the opportunity to work together, giving back."

The Lichtenberger family is committed to supporting community-based human service organizations and educational programs where funding can have the greatest impact. They hope their giving is an example that sparks others.

The Community Foundation is proud to be the Lichtenberger family's partner in philanthropy.

To learn more about the Lichtenbergers and others who are Giving While Living, CLICK HERE.





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