

The Ted and Carol Bell Memorial Art Scholarship

Ted Barnett Bell was born May 15, 1921 in Silverton, Briscoe County, Texas. He attended public schools in Floydada and graduated from Floydada High School in 1939. He served with the United States Army in the Pacific Theatre for three years during World War II. After his military service, he continued his education at Texas Tech University, graduating with a Bachelor of Science in International Trade and Business Administration in 1949.

In 1956, he married Carol Reeves of Floydada, a 1946 graduate of Wayland Baptist College. They were blessed with two children; Fex B., born in 1958, and Shannon, born in 1959.

Mr. Bell began his interest in art shortly after his graduation from Texas Tech University. Art was his hobby for years during the time he was serving as a contract Rural Mail Carrier out of the Floydada Post Office. In the early 1960s, his art skills began to be recognized. He won a state-wide art contest sponsored by the Democratic Women of Texas. By 1965, he was selling his art as quickly as he was willing to produce it. He became widely known and respected in the Southwest as an artist—especially for his landscapes, watercolors, and West Texas scenery.

His death came October 28, 1978 from a sudden heart attT BT /P <</M2 7M2 7M2 7M2 7M2