



Association of Adventist Women

# Betty Hogan Howard

— Woman of the Year —

Lifetime Achievement

2001

Betty Ann Howard was born in Alabama in an era when young ladies were educated to pour tea properly. Howard expressed little interest in tea parties and chose instead to become a nurse anesthetist. A few years later she needed that education when her husband died, leaving Howard a single mom to a four-year-old.

During her professional career, Howard was dean of women at two Adventist colleges, a leader in academic resources for higher education, a resource to the U.S. Department of Education, and a professor of education. She was the first president of the Association of Adventist Women, serving two terms.

Outstanding as these achievements are, this is

only part of Howard's story. Rather than strive for more awards or publications, she devoted her life to building bridges for those in her care—enabling them to earn the awards, to heal the sick, and to edit the publications.

After two decades of serving as women's dean at Columbia Union College (CUC) and Walla Walla College, Howard became acting dean of students at CUC. Three years later, she turned her attention full time to at-risk college students. In 1992 she joined CUC's Education Department.

But for hundreds of Adventists, Betty Howard is still their beloved second mother and friend.



Lara W. Beaven, former student, says: “Betty’s office was always filled with photos of students both past and present, and that she kept in touch with them is a testament to the difference she made in all our lives.”

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