

# **Gilbert Education Foundation**

## **“Dedicated to Leaving an Everlasting Legacy”**



### **Chris Covell Memorial Music Scholarship**

Chris Covell was the GHS Band Director from 1993-2011. Chris had spent most of his life in the Gilbert Community Schools. He attended Gilbert from Kindergarten to his graduation in 1985 during which time he participated in the band program. He went on to ISU, earning a B.A. in Music. Following that he taught in the Maple Valley Schools for 4 years before returning to Gilbert to teach High School Band.

The students always came first for Chris as he led them to many top ratings at contests in Concert Band, Jazz Band, Marching Band and Solo & Ensemble Contests. His first concerns were always for the students, not just as musicians-but also as young people. He taught his students to enjoy music, no matter what their ability level.

Chris's legacy lives on in many students who had gone on themselves to be band directors and musicians following their graduation.

Chris lived in Ames with his wife Pamela until his death in 2011. This \$100 scholarship will go to a graduating senior chosen by the Gilbert Education Foundation Scholarship Committee.