



Dr. Fred Standley

December 3, 2014 - December 22, 2014

Fred Lloyd Standley, PhD of Tallahassee, FL passed away Sunday, December 22, 2014. Dr. Standley was a Professor Emeritus in the Department of English and President Emeritus of the Faculty Senate at Florida State University. He received his PhD from Northwestern University in 1963, his Masters of Divinity from Garrett Theological School in 1958, and his Bachelor's degree from West Virginia Wesleyan College in 1954. Having begun his teaching career at FSU in 1963, it culminated in 2013 with his final course taught at FSU's London Study Centre on his favorite topic of "Banned Books". During his illustrious career he directed the course of study of 58 Doctoral Dissertations, 9 Masters Theses, and 6 Undergraduate Honors Theses. He published four books and 57 scholarly articles related to his advocacy for minority rights and multicultural voice and experiences expressed through literature. His teaching touched the lives of tens of thousands of students at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. His service and dedication to FSU epitomized his belief in faculty involvement in university governance and assuring the equal treatment for women in academic issues at all levels. Dr. Standley served as the Chair of the Department of English, President of the Faculty Senate, Chair of the Presidential Search Committee for the selection of Dr. Bernie Sliger, the Director of Land Acquisitions 1989-1994, on the Athletic Committee, and he represented FSU in the College English Association.

Dr. Standley's commitment to academic freedom and integrity was honored with several major recognitions of distinction at FSU including: the Daisy

Parker Flory named Professorship (1985), the Distinguished Service Professor Award (2003), the Friends of Strozier Library Distinguished Service Award (2006), and the FSU Torch Award (2013). Two awards at Florida State have been created and named in his honor including the Fred L. Standley Award for Outstanding Teacher (1982) and the Friends of Strozier Library Fred L. Standley Award for the Academic Librarian of the Year (2012). He was an ardent supporter of the Faculty of Florida State University and its students, Seminole Football, and the bread pudding at the University Club.

Dr. Standley is survived by his loving wife of 31 years and fellow FSU Faculty colleague Jayne M. Standley, PhD . He was a loving father and grandfather who once said “sleep is a waste of time” and that is how he lived, never wasting a single day in his 82 years. He is survived by a daughter, Laurel Standley, PhD (Andrew Pepper) of Huntsville, AL, and a son, Paul Standley (Nicole Moss) of Tallahassee, FL , and his four grandchildren Gage Fredrick Pepper, Nolan Craig Pepper, Rosalie Fox Standley, Bryden Lee Arthur Standley. Fred Standley was the smartest, kindest, most dedicated man his family and friends have ever known.

A celebration of Fred Standley’s life will be held at Florida State University on a later date.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to the Friends of the Library at Florida State University. Donations to Florida State University Libraries will be used to support the Fred L. Standley Prize. This prize honors an outstanding faculty member within the libraries for a significant contribution to research librarianship and library development.

Florida State University Libraries
c/o Dean Julia Zimmerman, FSU Libraries
116 Honors Way
Tallahassee, FL 32306

Or

The Library Development Fund at
<https://one.fsu.edu/GiveToUniversityLibraries>

In memory of Fred L. Standley

Elizabeth Chambers of Bevis Funeral Home is assisting the family with their arrangements (850-385-2193, www.bevisfh.com)

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“ On behalf of the Florida State University Association of Retired Faculty (ARF) we would like to extend our condolences to you and the family on the loss of Fred. We hope the support and loving concern of others will help give the strength needed from day to day. Please know that Fred is remembered fondly and will be listed in our Association's Memorial. Sincerely, Tom & Esther Harrison
Memorial Chairs

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