



*Carol and Dan Nelson*

## A legacy of philanthropic support

Two years ago, Carol Nelson and Dan Nelson, MD decided to make Regions part of their estate, but they didn't know exactly where to designate their gift.

They wanted to support Regions Hospital's doctors, nurses, support systems, operations, and care. There was so much need, Dan said "Quite frankly, how do we choose?" Carol said, "It seemed to make the most sense for Regions to say, 'these are our needs and this is where the money would be most helpful right now' rather than designate it to a specific area."

So, the Nelsons chose the Regions Hospital Mission in Action fund, which was established to help Regions offer more patients and families greater health and a better quality of life for years to come.

By supporting this unrestricted fund through their estate, Dan and Carol will help Regions provide the care that our community needs, when it's needed. "We just don't know what will happen in the future," Dan said. "Before COVID, we had no idea that COVID was coming and all of a sudden that became a critical need."

The Nelsons saw how Regions was able to respond nimbly during the crisis due to the generosity of benefactors. "We have a great deal of confidence in the hospital leaders," Carol said. "Based on our experience, we trust that Regions will continue to provide great care and continue to be thoughtful stewards of our philanthropic support."