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Hometown: Oxford, Miss.
Graduation year: 2003
Degree: Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering

Q How did receiving the Brevard Scholarship impact your life?

A The scholarship enhanced my college experience, while offsetting out-of-state tuition costs. This made Ole Miss a viable option for me and ultimately influenced my decision to choose Ole Miss.

Q How has receiving the Brevard Scholarship influenced your view of private gifts and the philosophy of giving back?

A It has led me to stay involved and to support the School of Engineering. As an alumna, it's exciting to see enrollment in the civil engineering department nearly double in size since my graduation. This growth provides more opportunity and need for our alumni to stay involved with their time and financial contributions.

Specifically, my company recently completed constructing 11,000 square feet of laboratory space designed for the civil engineering department. This project added tremendous value to the department's research programs. D. Carroll Construction also has begun a historical renovation project of Hill Hall. Our efforts will bring this facility back to its original condition, while improving its energy efficiencies. It's very rewarding to have a positive impact on the campus that helped define my career.

Q What do you find fulfilling about your career and what about your Ole Miss experience has contributed to your early career success?

A In day-to-day business I enjoy the problem-solving aspects of my career. I consider problem solving to be the core learning principle associated with my degree in civil engineering. My Ole Miss experience led my wife and me back to Oxford and created a desire to work on projects that benefit the university. The network of Ole Miss alumni of which I'm a part has promoted, and continues to promote, growth for my business.

Q What values do you embrace in your life that you hope could be passed on to future generations?

A Among values important to me are honesty, accountability and a spirit of community service.