For these families, being a lawyer might be in their DNA, but they've also passed along compassion, kindness and generosity – and the belief that there is honor and duty at the heart of helping others.

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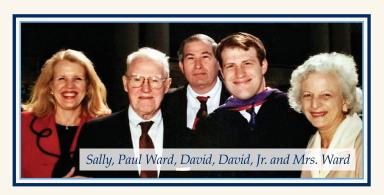
If being a lawyer is a Bloomfield family tradition, so is "paying it forward."

When asked if he always knew he was going to be a lawyer, the younger David said jokingly, "I had no choice!" He continued in all seriousness, "Even though my parents encouraged me to look at other professions, I am the son of two lawyers, and a third-generation attorney (his maternal grandfather, the late Paul F. Ward was a Foundation Fellow, too) – I always wanted to be an attorney."

In talking with this family, it's clear they all agree – paying it forward is the family philosophy when it comes to charitable giving. David, Jr. said, "Lawyers are generous individuals, we understand that we serve others." His dad, David, believes paying it forward is a worthwhile endeavor – that by being charitable, they are doing what is right and proper in appreciation for what they've been fortunate enough to have the resources to do.



Sally says she is inspired to give by a belief in an organization's mission and trust that they are using her donations to be impactful and do great work. Knowing that 100% of their donations to the Foundation are used for grantmaking and are helping people with barriers to justice – a cause they are clearly passionate about – are the reasons why the Bloomfield family remains engaged with the Foundation.



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