

CONCORD UNIVERSITY DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

Ruby Anderson Carter, loving wife, mother of Linda Beth, nurturer, teacher of toddlers, and caregiver and coach of little children–your dedication to teaching, tutelage and training impacts generations of teachers and students.

You have long understood the significance of education. At a very early age, your parents instilled in you the importance of education and the difference that a lifetime of learning and teaching can make. Every teacher who taught you encouraged you to become a teacher. As a 1941 graduate of Concord College, you received your master's degree from West Virginia University, and from that point, you have dedicated your life to education, initially teaching fresh-faced first grade children at Institute School–ultimately teaching in the public schools of Raleigh County for 41 years. Teaching first grade children to read was one of your greatest rewards in life. As a committee member of the Carter Family Foundation, you continue to carry out the Foundation's goals of supporting educational, religious and human service organizations in the Raleigh County area. The Carter Family Foundation was founded on the basis of providing opportunities for the citizens of our area, and the philosophy has been manifested in a variety of ways, including scholarships for hundreds of capable students as well as financial aid to our colleges.

You are quoted as saying that, "Better educated teachers result in better educated students." Your love of children of all ages and your life as a teacher are testimony to your genuine concern for the education of West Virginia's teachers and students.

Therefore, by the authority vested in me by the Concord University Board of Governors and on behalf of a deeply grateful community, I confer upon you, Ruby Anderson Carter, the degree of doctor of education, honoris causa.

Conferred on May 13, 2006

CHAIR, BOARD OF GOVERNORS

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