



Kimberly Knipstein '19, left, and Stephanie (Pettine) Mocarsky '08 in the Rocky Top Student Center

Amil Pettine lived a life dedicated to helping others.

A captain in the United States Marine Corps, he served his country as a fighter pilot in World War II and the Korean War. One of his final beneficent acts was establishing the Pettine Family Nursing Scholarship at Quinnipiac University.

Pettine had visited Quinnipiac while his granddaughter, Stephanie (Pettine) Mocarsky '08, was a student. He instantly fell in love with the Mount Carmel Campus, especially the picturesque and iconic Sleeping Giant as its backdrop. Inspired by stories of Mocarsky's extraordinary experiences with the university and the nursing program, he left a bequest to Quinnipiac so that other students would enjoy the same experiences. With this scholarship, his objective was to reward students who have focus and direction by helping make their dreams of a Quinnipiac education a reality.

Since the creation of the Pettine Family Nursing Scholarship, four students have benefitted from Pettine's philanthropy, including Kimberly Knipstein '19. Knipstein was overjoyed when she learned that she received the scholarship. "There are no words to describe how grateful I am to the Pettine family. Their scholarship has allowed me to focus on my studies. I feel very blessed and lucky to be in the position that I am in, and I can't wait to have the opportunity to pay it forward."

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