



## A Terrier Club founder turns 100



Harry Williams renewed his driver's license the week of his birthday in late November. His 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

And it's not a symbolic license. Williams, a 1942 Wofford College graduate, still hops behind the wheel of his 2005 Cadillac, the one with 105,000 miles on it, the one he's owned longer than any other vehicle he's ever had.

And why shouldn't he? A guy who went skydiving on his 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday (and 94<sup>th</sup>...and 95<sup>th</sup>) isn't going to be intimidated by a little traffic.

"I just got it renewed for eight more years. I don't want to waste it," says Williams, who celebrated hitting the century mark on Nov. 21.

Wasting things – time, opportunities – isn't in Williams' makeup. He served his country in the military, built a successful business and dedicated himself to supporting Wofford and his community. First and foremost to Williams, however, is his devotion to his family.

"I've always said that Harry Williams is the guy I want to be when I grow up," says

Director of Athletics Richard Johnson. "Harry has been the most loyal of supporters and is just a delightful human being. You automatically smile when you see him. He is one of the most gracious people I have known. I wish we could clone him."

Williams grew up in the shadow of Wofford and spent a lot of time on campus as a child. When he was 12, he would keep score on a chalkboard for the men's basketball team when it played in Andrews Field House.

"I got in free for doing it," he says.

[Read more.](#)

## Thurmond reflects on Appalachian Trail hike



Dr. Gerald Thurmond's experience hiking the Appalachian Trail was featured in Spartanburg Magazine in a story written by Jacob Hollifield, a senior English and history major from Chesnee, South Carolina. Thurmond, a professor of sociology and anthropology, was on sabbatical as the COVID-19 pandemic began. Word reached the trail and forced hikers to make tough decisions. [Read the story in Spartanburg Magazine.](#)

## Wofford Advent Calendar

Wofford's Alumni Association has an Advent calendar just for Terriers! Each Sunday, the Rev. Dr. Ron Robinson '78, Wofford's Perkins-Prothro Chaplain and professor of religion, will have a new message throughout the season. The calendar is being updated daily with activities for families and opportunities to win Wofford Christmas ornaments. [View the Wofford Advent Calendar.](#)

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