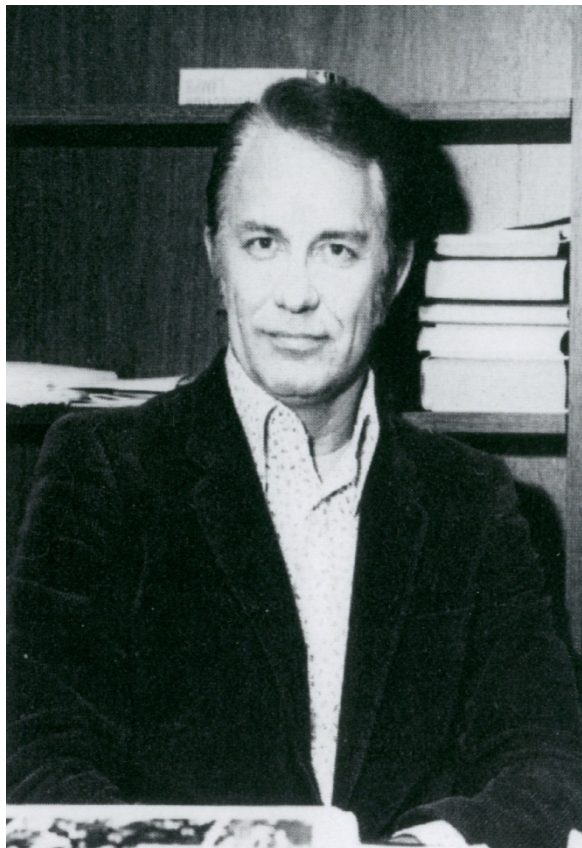


BOB BUTLER

It's a testament to Bob Butler's impact that not one - but two - of Louisburg College's top awards are named after him. Butler taught English, Religion and Sociology at LC for 45 years before retiring in 2007. That same year, LC's Social and Behavioral Sciences Award was named in Butler's honor. Also in 2007, the Louisburg College Bob Butler Football Award was created.



Butler never played or coached sports at Louisburg College, but he was a career-long supporter of LC's athletic programs, and served as a mentor to many of the school's student-athletes through the years. According to Butler, the values he tried to instill in all of his students were shaped by church camps, the United States Army and a high school football coach who was a World War II hero at The Battle of the Bulge.

Butler was a decorated athlete in high school as he excelled in football, basketball and baseball at Leaksville High School in Rockingham County. He also taught water safety as a Red Cross swim instructor and won the Eden City Tennis Championship on two occasions. He was offered a

football scholarship at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, but instead chose to run cross country at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

Butler competed for the cross country squad as a freshman en route to earning a Bachelor's Degree in English from UNC. He also has two Master's Degrees — in Sociology from North Carolina and in English from Duke University.

In 2008, Butler received the Chaplain's Service Award from Louisburg College. He has published two textbooks that were adopted nationwide.

Butler said the most important thing is his life was learning by way of phone calls, letters, notes, visits and other sources about how well the lives turned out of student-athletes that he taught at Louisburg College.

"I've had a lot of feedback — some of the stories are very inspiring," Butler said.

Mr. Butler lives in Louisburg. His two children — son, Tony and daughter, Martha — are both LC graduates. His brother, Dr. Lindley Butler, taught History for three years at Louisburg College in the 1960s.