It is with great sadness that we share the news of Mary Ann Harn Cofrin’s passing. As a lifelong, Gainesville resident, Mary Ann left her mark on all those she met.

Mary Ann and her loving husband, Dr. David A. Cofrin were the founding donors and generous benefactors without whom there would be no Harn Museum of Art. From the founding gift that made construction possible to subsequent donations that endowed curators, enhanced the collection, and expanded the footprint of the museum, the Cofrin’s have been the heart and soul of the museum.

Mary Ann and David Cofrin’s giving inspired many others to invest in a young art museum that has reached great success in its short 32 years. Their vision for an art museum in Gainesville has led to more than a million visitors, from toddlers to students, to families and seniors, experiencing world-class art in a world-class facility.

We are forever grateful to David and Mary Ann Cofrin and are proud to steward their legacy for years to come.

View her obituary on The Gainesville Sun's website.