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Lt. Robert Fletcher Memorial Foundation donates to Stuart Middle

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STUART — Ginny and Jack Luther, co-founders of The Lt. Robert Fletcher Memorial Foundation, recently donated two saxophones to Stuart Middle School's band program. Their son, the late Robert "Bart" Fletcher, attended Stuart Middle and played saxophone in the band.

Fletcher was tragically murdered in 2008 in the line of Army duty in Ft. Hood, Texas.



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Stuart Middle School Band Director Chris Kalwa accepts the saxophone that Ginny and Jack Luther, center, donated. Carlyle Weber, owner of the Band Box, Inc., also contributed.

Carlyle Weber, owner of the Band Box, Inc., also contributed by discounting the saxophones to the Luthers.

"Al Hager was the band leader at the time Bart attended Stuart Middle School," said Jack Luther. "He was the inspiration for Bart setting goals for himself by empowering him with a sax in hand. He was in the jazz band as well and

they used to do local gigs around town."

"Bart was not easy at this stage of his life," said Ginny Luther, "but Al Hager believed he was a valuable player. It was then Bart believed in himself. His experience in middle school with the band gave him direction to find purpose in his life."

Fletcher played in the marching band throughout high school and it was the foundation for his social life, which led him in a positive direction.

The Lt. Robert Fletcher Memorial Foundation Inc., founded in April 2010, is a registered 501(c)(3)

nonprofit foundation and is driven 100 percent by volunteers. Support from this foundation is intended, but not limited to, the following organizations that help heal hurting hearts of children and teens: grief counseling camps, weekend/summer camp retreats, Children & Families Inc., Hug-a-Hero Foundation, and the Foundation for Achieving Character and Educational Success.

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