

## The Foundation's History

Born in Vernon, Mississippi in 1868 to Wilbur Fisk Glenn and Flora Harper Glenn of Atlanta, **Thomas. K. Glenn** (TKG) began his career with the Maddox-Rucker Banking Company. At age 34, he was elected vice president of the Georgia Railway and Electric Company (predecessor of the Georgia Power Company). From 1908 to 1946, TKG was Chairman of Atlantic Steel Company and succeeded his friend Ernest Woodruff as Chairman of the Trust Company of Georgia from 1937 to 1946. He was a Director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta from 1940 to 1945 and also served as a member of the Advisory Committee of the Equal Suffrage Party of Georgia.

TKG's philanthropy was principally focused on healthcare. He was elected the first President and Chairman of the Governing Board of Scottish Rite Convalescent Hospital for Crippled Children in 1915 and served in that capacity until 1939. In the early years, TKG and those he led reached into their wallets on many occasions to meet Scottish Rite's payroll.

TKG's father was the Reverend Wilbur Fisk Glenn, an Emory University alumnus and well-known Methodist minister. In 1931, TKG and his sister Flora (Mrs. Charles Howard Candler) provided funding for what is now known as Emory's Glenn Memorial United Methodist Church, dedicating it to their father.

TKG also served as head of the Fulton-DeKalb Hospital Authority and was instrumental in the Authority's role as manager of Grady Hospital.

In 1904, TKG married **Agnes Raoul**. Agnes was born in 1882 near Bolingbroke, Georgia, the seventh child in a family of eleven. The daughter of politically active and civic-minded parents, she attended Washington Seminary in Atlanta, entered Vassar College in 1899, and was active in the fight for women's right to vote. TKG and Agnes had two sons, Wadley Raoul Glenn and Wilbur Fisk Glenn. Jr.

In 1910 Mrs. Glenn, who was foremost in bringing the idea of the Parent Teacher Association to Atlanta, began contributing to the Student Aid Foundation, an organization founded to help young girls obtain higher education. After her untimely death in 1914, a memorial fund was established in her name and continues to support the education expenses of young women.

Wilbur Fisk Glenn, Jr. and his wife, Hilda, followed TKG's involvement at Scottish Rite Hospital through the 1970's and 80's. In 1974, as the old hospital building neared its fifth decade of service in the East Lake section of Atlanta, it was difficult to bring the building up to modern standards. Wilbur Glenn was then a member of the Scottish Rite Board of Trustees and provided funding for construction of the hospital in Sandy Springs where it is located today. Hilda spent time and money with various charities; a scholarship at Emory's School of Nursing bears her name.



Thomas K. and Agnes Glenn's philanthropy focused on healthcare and education. The impact of their contributions remains significant.



Wilbur and Hilda Glenn continued TKG and Agnes' legacy of service and philanthropy by their support of various local non-profits, especially Scottish Rite Hospital and Emory University.



Continuing that tradition with their own children, Tom and Lou Glenn establish The Wilbur & Hilda Glenn Family Foundation in 1996.



Louisa Glenn D'Antignac and Rand Glenn Hagen took on roles as Chair and Vice-Chair of the Foundation, respectively, in 2020. Along with their parents, they are actively involved in the ongoing work of the foundation.