

Entertaining his friends from his music to his "corn-worm fly"

Catawba River, Morganton, North Carolina

Bev learned to fly fish as a teenager during numerous fly fishing trips to western states and on the private waters of Grandmother Country Club in Linville, North Carolina with his father Dr. Beverly D. Hairfield, Sr., a charter member of the first North Carolina Trout Unlimited Chapter.

He further developed his strong commitment to and respect for the environment during numerous days fishing local streams of western North Carolina while attend Western Carolina University.

Bev was a well-known local musician who loved to "entertain"his fellow members of Table Rock Trout Unlimited, where he volunteered as Banquet Chairman, Vice President and President in the late 1980s and 1990s. He was an active supporter of protecting the Catawba River, and a vocal proponent of the development of the Morganton Greenway.

Bev, his wife Connie, and his sons Doug and John, lost a lengthy and courageous battle against his cancer in 1999.

In 2001, Table Rock Trout Unlimited erected an information kiosk on the Morganton Greenway in recognition and memory of his life, and his family, friends and Table Rock Trout Unlimited established the 'Beverly D Hairfield, Jr. Scholarship' at Western Carolina University, an annual award to perpetually honor his name and ever present spirit.

Stream BlazerBeverly "Bev" Dew Hairfield, Jr. 1952-1999