From principal to student and back: A silver and blue success story

When James F. “Freddie” Huckaby ’71 M.Ed. (school administration) was hired as a K-12 principal in Austin, Nev., in 1966, he found the position to be fulfilling but challenging. He spoke with University of Nevada Board of Regents Trustee Molly Knutson who sent Huckaby straight to the University of Nevada. There he earned his master’s degree in school administration and received the guidance he needed. One of his heroes, Sen. Paul Laxalt, visited the school in Austin as a graduation speaker for one of Austin’s largest graduating class—nine students. Huckaby’s wife, daughter, son and daughter-in-law went on to graduate from Nevada as well. “Our family’s University has certainly impacted our lives and provided us with great opportunities,” Huckaby says.