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For Immediate Release:

## EIU SPECIAL ED STUDENTS RECEIVE KENNARD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

CHARLESTON -- Kara L. Ladd of Princeton and Vivian Sue Taylor of Newton, both students in Eastern Illinois University's Department of Special Education, are the recipients of the fourth annual Stephen Wayne Kennard Memorial Scholarship.

The scholarship, endowed by Mr. and Mrs. Ike Kennard of Charleston, their son Michael of Charleston and their daughter Marlys K. Fallen of Tulsa, Okla., was established in memory of the Kennards' son and Michael and Marlys' brother, Stephen Wayne Kennard.

It is awarded annually to an individual(s) student teaching in that academic year and who has demonstrated outstanding scholarship, leadership and service in special education. AMOCO Corporation also contributed through its matching gifts program.

The Kennards presented the scholarship to Ladd and Taylor at a recent special

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education awards ceremony held to recognize the outstanding achievements of the department's students. During the ceremony, recognition was given to students demonstrating scholarship, leadership and service; officers of the Student Council for Exceptional Children, a local affiliate of the Council for Exceptional Children; officers of Sigma Rho Epsilon special education honorary; and graduates of Eastern's special education program.

Ladd is the daughter of Phillip and Lurene Ladd of Princeton. Taylor is the wife of Thomas Taylor of Newton.