Our Legacy

STEM Detroit is inspired by a legacy defined by the life's work and accomplishments of Dr. Phil C. Robinson and Lula Belle Stewart-Robinson, MD. Together they had an historic impact on their community and the nation.

Lula Belle Stewart-Robinson, MD; (1920-1965) Born in Jackson, Mississippi. A trailblazing figure in the field of Medicine, recognized as the first Black woman to become a pediatric cardiologist in Michigan. Her career focused on providing accessible, equitable quality healthcare.

Phil Clayton Robinson, Ed.D (1920-2006) Born in Richwood, Louisiana. A graduate of Southern University with a Bachelor's degree. He came to Detroit in 1946 earned his Master's degree while working at the Detroit Department of Transportation.

In 1947 Phil began his career as a teacher working for Detroit public schools. He went on to become one of the nation's most impactful educators.

To learn more about the lives and accomplishments of Phil and Lula Belle, please see their biography pages



Phil C. Robinson and Lula Belle Stewart-Robinson Married in Jackson, MS. 1953