My tribute is for Bill Gates. As I computer science student I will pay homage to one of the greatest minds and innovators of our time. Over the course of past several decades' bill gates has contributed a myriad of technological and philanthropic ideas to the world. Mr. Gates has continually been a pioneer in the computer industry creating much of the software and programs which we use today.

From the ground up, Bill Gates has created his empire and was in fact the world's youngest self-made billionaires at one point. Time Magazine has declared him to be one of the world's most influential individuals of the 20th century. Through all his efforts, Bill Gates will stand as a testament to what all mankind kind can aspire to and achieve. In this essay you will understand more about the man and what he has contributed to the world. Here at Tribute to Bill Gates I would like to say thank you bill for all your work and dedication to making the world a better place!

William Henry Gates III, Bill is an American business tycoon, regarded as a well-known philanthropist, and the chairmen of Microsoft which he founded with Paul Allen in Albuquerque, New Mexico in 1975. Gates being a business magnate, is one of the most regarded and well known figures of the computer revolution and is highly admired by many individuals for his many contributions. Gates has left his mark on the history of the computer industry by with his many achievements and creations such as BASIC, his partnership with IBM, MS-DOS, and Microsoft Windows among many other contributions such as hardware and software that has revolutionized computers today.

Gates, having a successful career was one of the richest people in the world, being number one on Forbes list in 1993 all the way through to 2007 as well as being number one on Forbes list of The World's Richest People from 1995 to 2007 and in 2009. His wealth and net worth at one point was greater and $100 Billion but after 2000 due to his many donations to charities and the dot-com bubble burst his wealth has slightly dropped. Bill Gates has a number of investments outside of Microsoft as well which net him a considerable about of income, one company being Corbis and an investment company named Berkshire Hathaway as well as Cascade Investments LLC and TerraPower, a design company for nuclear reactors.

Gates, along with his wife Melinda founded the charitable organization called Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation which took on many of the ideologies which the Rockefeller family focused on when it comes to philanthropy. It seeks to globally enhance the quality of life for individuals stricken with poverty by improving, education, healthcare, and expand educational opportunities as well as access to information technology in America. The foundation's main headquarters resides in Seattle Washington and is controlled by Bill and Melinda Gates and longtime friend Warren Buffett. The foundation is one of the leading and most generous philanthropist based foundations in America, giving more than $28 billion to charitable organizations. The foundation continues its philanthropist approach and ideologies to this day, contributing its monetary wealth to foundations and organizations to promote a better world for all individuals. If you are seeking information about the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, you can visit their website at: [http://www.gatesfoundation.org](http://www.gatesfoundation.org/)