

Gale Stauffer Memorial Scholarship Fund

Description

The Gale Stauffer Memorial Scholarship Fund is intended to preserve the memory of Gale Stauffer, a Tupelo Police Officer, who paid the ultimate sacrifice in serving and protecting the citizens of Tupelo and Lee County. The fund also seeks to pay tribute to the men and women who serve Tupelo and Lee County as full-time state certified first responders in law enforcement, fire protection, and emergency services. Students who meet the following criteria are eligible to apply:

- Must be the child of a full-time, state certified first responder
- Must be a graduating high school senior in Lee County

The scholarship fund will award up to \$10,000 in scholarships this year. Individual awards are expected to range from \$1,000 to \$2,500, and will depend on the number of applications received.

Name _____ Sex _____

Address _____

Telephone # _____ Age _____

Name of Parent Who is a First Responder _____

First Responder's Employer and Position _____

Number and Ages of Children in Family _____

Do you need financial assistance to attend college? Yes ☐ No ☐

If "yes", please explain _____

Will you attend college Full-time ☐ Part-time ☐

Future Plans (including the name of the college you will attend) _____

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Extra Curricular Activities _____

Honors _____

Church and Community _____

Please list three (3) personal references including address and telephone number

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

High School GPA _____ ACT Score: _____ Class Rank _____

Please attach the following to this application:

- A short essay on "Why a college education is important to me and how being the child of a first responder has affected my life".
- Two letters of recommendation from teachers

Application Procedure

Return your completed application, essay and letters of recommendations to your high school counselor.

APPLICATION DEADLINE MARCH 6, 2026