

Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Post 4676 202 W. Aviation Blvd Universal City, Texas 78148

Dear Applicant:

VFW Post 4676 is honored to present six annual scholarships. Two in honor of Lt. Col. George C. and Eldred Barker, one in honor of the Eaton family, one in honor of the Todd Family, and one in honor of the Lunsford family.

Lt. Col. George C. Barker and Eldred Barker Memorial Scholarship

In memorial and honor of Lt. Col. George C. Barker and Eldred Barker for their over 32 years of service to our country in the U.S. Air Force. George's military career began with his service during World War II as a member of the 8th Air Force. He continued his career as a NCO and an officer. His service was one of commitment, honor and dedication in which he served the nation and his fellow airman. His overseas duty assignments included South Korea, Germany, and Iceland. He had many duty assignments including Ft. Worth, El Paso, San Antonio, Texas, Albany, Savanah, Marietta, Georgia, and Biloxi, Mississippi. Throughout his entire career he was married to Eldred Barker and she served with him as his spouse. Raising 4 children at times on her own due to unaccompanied tours she never wavered in her love and dedication to supporting her husband's service. His service ended after having to take a medical retirement and passed away shortly after that. Eldred continue to serve as a volunteer with the DAV organization for several years.

Both George and Eldred served with the honor and dedication to many of their fellow service men and women, spouses, and families. This scholarship has their name, but they would want all of those that read about it and receive the scholarship to understand that it is dedicated to all of our service men and women and their families that have served our nation.

The Eaton Honorary Scholarship

This scholarship is being offered in honoring the service of the Eaton Family. Ed Eaton served in the Marine Corps during Operation Enduring Freedom and the Global War on Terrorism. His Father David served in the Army, and his Uncle Gary served in the Air Force, both serving in the Vietnam War. Other members of the Eaton family have served with the Navy SEAL teams and are still serving to protect our countries freedoms and way of life.

The Todd Honorary Scholarship

This scholarship is being offered in honoring the service of the Todd Family. Army Sergeant First Class David J. Todd Jr was from Marrero, LA. While serving During Operation Enduring Freedom, he was assigned to the Afghan Regional Security Integration Command-West, Herat, Afghanistan; On August 20th, 2008 while on a mission in Bala Morghab, Afghanistan he died from wounds sustained when his unit was attacked by enemy forces using small-arms fire. He was the beloved husband of Tianna Todd, and father of Kandace, David (Bubba), Katelynn, Kyle, and Madison. He was the son of

Mary and David Todd, Sr. He was the brother of Stephanie Todd Keller. He is also survived by a host of other relatives and friends.

The Lunsford Honorary Scholarship

This scholarship is being offered in honoring the service of the Lunsford Family. Chief Master Sergeant T.W. Lunsford was from Montgomery, AL. T.W. served as the Air Operations Manager, earning multiple medals including the Vietnam Service Medal with Three Silver Stars, the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, and the Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm. His niece's son was named after him and currently serves in the United States Air Force.

Family members of service members or veterans are eligible to apply for these scholarships. The applicant must be enrolled in a fully accredited college or university or will be a high school graduating senior and accepted to a fully accredited college or university. The amount of the scholarship is \$1,000 and payable to the college to which the applicant will be attending.

If you are interested complete the attached application and submit an essay communicating your experience with your service member or veteran as well as a written detailed interview with that person. The intent is to honor that service member or veteran by documenting and sharing their story.

Applications must be returned to the address noted above and to the attention of the Scholarship Committee by May 3, 2024. Scholarships will be awarded on May 18, 2024, at 4 pm.