

## **American Legion Steen Family Memorial Scholarship**

### Scope:

The annual Steen Memorial Scholarship was initially funded by three equal contributions from the American Legion, Sons of the American Legion, and the American Legion Auxiliary, totaling \$1000.00. In order to continue the scholarship, funding will be determined by the American Legion Post 239 Executive Committee. One selected individual will receive an award of \$1000.00.

### History:

The initial scholarship was established in memory of Eric E. Steen, brother of Myron Steen, a member of the Sons of the American Legion. This scholarship was to not only honor Eric, but to recognize Myron for all he had done for the American Legion. Since Myron's passing, the scholarship is to honor and memorialize both Eric and Myron.

Born September 12, 1953 in LaCrosse, WI, Eric grew up on a farm located just south of Warrens, WI. Upon completion of high school, Eric enlisted in the Army, distinguishing himself through 24 years of service, retiring as a Master Sergeant. He participated in campaigns in Panama, Haiti, and Iraq, in addition to overseas duties in Germany, witnessing the fall of the Berlin Wall, and in South Korea.

### Applicant Requirements:

1. A child, grandchild of a member of the American Legion, the Sons of the American Legion, or the American Legion Auxiliary. Additional consideration will be given to candidates selected for Boys or Girls State.
2. An undergraduate, entering or attending an accredited 2 or 4 year college or trade school acceptable to the scholarship committee.
3. Proof of eligibility and acceptance to an approved college.
4. 200-300 word essay explaining why he or she seeks this scholarship.

### Award Selection and Presentation:

Eligible applicants will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee and names will be presented to the awarding High School. The American Legion will provide a certificate and check to the recipient to be presented at graduation or as directed by the high school.

**Application  
Steen Family Memorial Scholarship**

Note: This application must be submitted no later than May 10, 2024. Email application to [rgadjo@aol.com](mailto:rgadjo@aol.com).

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell/Home

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Parent if different: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach essay with application.**