

Becky Hofmann Morris Memorial Scholarship

"You never know how strong you are until being strong is the only choice you have."



Becky Hofmann Morris was a 1998 graduate of Owatonna High School. In December of 2012, she lost her battle with metastatic melanoma. Her husband Carlton and daughter Amica, along with her parents, John and Gayle Hofmann, and brothers, Andy and Nick, have established this scholarship to honor her memory.

Becky grew up in rural Ellendale and attended Owatonna Public Schools. She was involved in 4-H, the National Honor Society, and was on the high school basketball and softball teams. Early on, Becky showed a passion for conservation and the environment, having grown up helping her family with their wildflower seed farm. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Watershed Management and Soil Science from the University of Wisconsin Stevens Point.

This \$1000.00 scholarship will be awarded annually to assist a student in furthering their education at a 2-year or 4-year college or university. The award will be presented at the annual awards banquet.

Eligibility Requirements:

- 1) Must be a graduating senior from Owatonna High School
- 2) Must have participated in community activities, extracurricular activities and/or sports for a minimum of two years.
- 3) Must be committed to a 2 -year or 4-year college or university
- 4) Must be planning to major in natural resource science, conservation, or environmental studies
- 5) Applicants must be in good academic standing with a minimum high school GPA of 3.0.

Please remember to attach your high school transcript.

Scholarship Terms and Conditions:

- Funds must be used in the year in which they are granted.
- Scholarship recipients who fail to attend a college or university the same year they receive the Becky Hofmann Morris Memorial Scholarship must return the funds.

- The recipient of this scholarship will be chosen by a committee comprised of family members. All decisions made by the scholarship award committee are final. No decision shall be subject to review.
- All information provided by the applicants will be kept confidential and used only for the purpose of determining scholarship awards.

Application

Please Print or Type

Name _____

Parents/Guardian Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Post Secondary Plans:

2- or 4-year college/university _____

Major _____

Factors to be evaluated by the Committee:

- An attached copy of your resume or personal data sheet, including:
 - Extracurricular activities; please specify any leadership roles
 - School, church, and/or community activities
 - Awards and honors received
 - Goals and aspirations
- Two letters of recommendation from non-family members. Letters must be in an envelope sealed by the author.
- An essay of 500 words or less describing your passion for natural resources and/or conserving our environment, and what you'd like to do with your major area of study.

Completed applications, along with a resume, transcript, letters of recommendation, and essay, must be postmarked no later than March 31, 2021. Applications can be turned in to Shannon DeWitz in the main office.

Deadline: March 31, 2021