

Maggie Dixon & Joseph Cundiff Memorial Scholarship



Margaret (Maggie) Helen Peterson was born December 8, 1943 in Hot Springs, South Dakota and died May 28, 2022. Maggie (Cundiff) Dixon attended Luther College from 1961 to 1964; she went on to MSU and graduated from there in 1966 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education and she minored in Spanish. Maggie did her student teaching at Lincoln Elementary School and went on to teach second grade at McKinley Elementary School in 1966. In 1985 Maggie moved back to Owatonna and taught 7 ½ years in the Title One Program at Washington Elementary and also taught two trimesters of Early Bird Spanish during that time as well.

After retiring Maggie continued to sub within the District for the elementary schools and provided private tutoring. While in California during 1971 and 1972 she also did private tutoring in California and reorganized a daycare into a preschool while in California. Maggie also taught Sunday School in Owatonna and Fribault over the years.

Joe (Joseph) Charles Cundiff, Maggie's son, was born October 16, 1973 and died November 28, 2016. Joe was an elementary student at Jefferson Elementary School in Faribault Kindergarten through fifth grade and attended Owatonna 6th through 12th grade. Joe graduated in 1992 and joined the Marines that fall. He was active/inactive

for eight years. Joe married Krissy Thorsrud in 1998 and they have two children, Sophie & Joey.

Maggie's husband, Peter, would like to give this scholarship to an OHS student who wants to go into elementary education and help support them in making their dream come true.

This \$1000 scholarship will be awarded annually to assist a student in furthering their education at a 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 be planning to attend college to study elementary education
- 3) Must be average or above in academic achievement
- 4) Financial need may be considered (financial aid will not count against applicant)
- 5) Must be planning to attend either a two or four-year college after high school
- 6) Must display positive role model qualities, dedication, team spirit, and a kind and compassionate nature

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Application

Please Print or Type

Name _____

Parents/Guardian Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Household Annual Income _____

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
- An essay describing your passion for education and what you'd like to do with your major area of study.
- A copy of your transcript.

Completed applications, along with a resume, transcript, and essay, must be submitted no later than the below due date. Applications can be turned in to Joni Churchill in the Counseling Office.

Deadline: May 1