

2026 TOMMY STARRETT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Tommy Starrett Memorial Scholarship is given to a deserving student(s) each year in honor of the life of Tommy Starrett. Tommy was an active member of the Sulphur Springs community for many years. He had a servant's heart and a heart for people. He was a member of the Hopkins County Chamber of Commerce as well as President of the Sulphur Springs High School Bank Boosters for 2005-2006. He was a lifelong member of Central Baptist Church where he served as the Worship Leader, coordinator of the Senior Adult Ministry, directed the children's outreach, and served as the Care Minister tending to families dealing with illness and bereavement, etc. Tommy served for many years in the Youth Department of the church. Tommy lived a life of service to God. His life verse was Psalm 84:11, "For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord will give grace and glory; no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly." He passed away on March 25, 2006, but he left a godly legacy that still ministers to the hearts of people to this day. This scholarship is just one way that Tommy's legacy will continue to impact the people in Hopkins County.

Eligible applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Be enrolled full time in an Associate Degree or Bachelors Degree Program
- Be a resident of Hopkins County
- Receive a High School Diploma from a Public or Private High School or Homeschool organization before September of the calendar year
- Graduate with a Grade Point Average of 2.4 or higher
- Provide a letter of recommendation from school counselor
- Display good, moral character in line with that of Tommy Starrett
- Provide a High School transcript
- Provide a proof of enrollment in college or university
- Be willing to be interviewed by the Scholarship Board if called upon

The Tommy Starrett Scholarship will be awarded to the student(s) chosen by the Scholarship Board during a presentation at Central Baptist Church. The scholarship will be paid directly to the student's college or university halfway through the first semester. The Scholarship Board will make arrangements with the school to pay the total scholarship due. This scholarship is a one time gift and will not be given to the student in future semesters. **The application and all related materials is due no later than April 24th @ 4PM.** Please submit this application to the office at Central Baptist Church, 840 Connally St., Sulphur Springs, TX 75482. You may also email your application to Melinda Henderson at melinda@atcentral.org.

If you have any questions please contact the CBC Office at 903-885-3660.

TOMMY STARRETT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____ Gender: ___ M ___ F
First Last M.I.

Address: _____
City State Zip

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Graduation Year: _____ Birthday: _____

Name of High School: _____

Address of High School: _____
City State Zip

Name of Advisor: _____ GPA Range: _____

Please feel free to use additional pages to answer the following:

General Education Goals: _____

Describe your Extracurricular Activities and your roles and responsibilities in them: _____

Describe your civic and community activities and your roles and responsibilities in them: _____

Please answer ONE of the following in 250 words or less:

- 1) What are your educational goals? How will being awarded this scholarship help you attain your goals?
- 2) Write about a time when hard work paid off.
- 3) Describe your experience with community service and volunteering and how that has affected you and your outlook.
- 4) Why did you choose the field you are pursuing?

Applicants Signature

Date of Application