# Chief Master Sergeant Gregory A. Kebil Memorial Scholarship Fund History and Purpose

The Chief Master Sergeant (CMSgt) Gregory A. Kebil Memorial Scholarship Fund was founded by the USAF Aircraft Armament Systems community as a continuing legacy to pay tribute to Chief Kebil for his selfless contributions to his country and the Weapons community. The Air Force Career Field Manager (AFCFM) and MAJCOM Functional Managers agreed the fund should be established to award scholarships to children of personnel who held AFSC 462X0 or 2W1X1 on active, reserve, or ANG duty in the service of the USAF.

## **Eligibility**

In order to be eligible and qualify as a recipient for the CMSgt Kebil Memorial Scholarship award, the following criteria applies:

- a. Be a child under the age of 23, to include: natural born child, legally adopted child, and other dependent children of a parent(s) or legal guardian(s) who served honorably in the United States Air Force in Air Force Specialty Codes (AFSC) 462X0 or 2W1X1. Service may include Active, Reserve, or Air National Guard duty for any period of time. The applicant must provide proof of honorable service and AFSC.
- b. Be a graduate of an accredited high school or equivalent, or high school senior who will qualify for graduation prior to beginning eligibility for assistance.
- c. Be enrolled or accepted for enrollment in a full time (as defined by the school attending) undergraduate course of study at an approved accredited college, university or technical school beyond the high school level with the exception of a service academy. Applicants attending a service academy are not eligible for this scholarship.
- d. Selection for the award is made without regard to Race, Religion, National Origin, and Sex, Age or other factors determined to be illegally discriminatory by the law of the land.

NOTE: Eligibility is not limited to citizens of the U.S. However, applicants must be attending a U.S. institution of higher learning.

### **Selection Priority**

The Board of Advisors Scholarship Selection Committee will use the following precedence list to prioritize the eligible candidates:

- a. Eligible children of AFSC 462X0 or 2W1X1 personnel who died on active duty.
- b. Eligible children of AFSC 462X0 or 2W1X1 personnel who died after retirement.
- c. Eligible children of AFSC 462X0 or 2W1X1 personnel who are/have served honorably.

NOTE: The original intent of the scholarship program is to assist dependent children of deceased Weapons troops with higher education.

### Requirements

The following must be enclosed with the application:

- a. The completed application and appropriate financial information sheets.
- b. Privacy Act (page v of the application web package) must be dated and signed.
- c. A brief pertinent history of the applicant's background and reason for requesting the scholarship. Include such items as high schools and colleges attended, awards won in schools, significant scholarship recognition, special interests and hobbies, clubs, sports, volunteer work (provide average hours/week), and employment history (provide average hours/week). A paragraph must address the military and the applicant's sponsors career. Please limit this to one typewritten single-spaced page, font Times Roman 12, one inch margins.
- d. Copies of the current year's Federal Tax Form (1040/1040A/1040EZ, or electronically transmitted equivalent) of parent(s) tax forms along with their own tax form if applicable.
- e. Applicants may informally notify the fund administrators of intent to apply at any time. Additional Information
- f. Applicants are personally responsible for ensuring the completeness and accuracy of the applications package. Applicants are strongly urged to carefully review their submission for absolute conformity to requirements.
- g. Award amounts may be tailored based on the applications request and fund availability, but must be fairly and impartially distributed. These funds are for the immediate school year, approximately 1 August through 31 July. (Note: The scholarship is to be used for tuition, books, room and board on campus, and laboratory fees only). It is payable to the school, university or college only. Should the applicant fail to enroll as a full time student or become disenrolled, all money will be returned to the scholarship fund. If the applicant is awarded a full scholarship from another source, this scholarship must be relinquished.

- h. Applications must be postmarked/emailed no later than 31 December (1600 EST). Any postmarked after that date will not be considered for that school year.
- i. It is the responsibility of each student to take the steps necessary to gain admission to the institution of his/her choice.
- j. Applications/information should be emailed/mailed to:

Email: jason.r.davis6.mil@mail.mil

Mail:
AF/A4LW
C/O 2W1 Career Field Manager (CMSgt Kebil Memorial Scholarship Program)
1030 Air Force Pentagon
Washington DC 20330-1030
Room 4A1062B

#### **Administrative Information**

The 363 TRS/TTW, Aircraft Armament Systems Flight, is responsible for the fund administration. These individuals shall be responsible for the following:

- 1. Establishing a financial account for funds management.
- 2. Maintaining financial and tax exempt records.
- 3. Promotion of fund raising activities and scholarship awards.
- 4. Disbursing funds for selected applicants in the amounts determined by the Board of Advisors within 30 days after the BOA has made their decision. Notify AF 2W1 CFM upon release of funds and provide scholarship account balance after funds are distributed.

The Air Force 2W1 Career Field Manager is responsible for the scholarship application process to include:

- 1. Providing initial reminder of the Scholarship during the World Wide/CAF SMMC and emailing applicable MAJCOM Functional Managers a reminder notification for application submittals by 1 May of each year.
- 2. Receive and maintain all applications along with information on how to contact them.
- 3. Application and approval/disapproval information file for all applicants.
- 4. Preparing Application packages and presenting them to the Board of Advisors.

The Board of Advisors will conduct the Scholarship selections and ensure that:

- a. The applications are sound and meet all criteria listed under "Eligibility", "Requirements", and "Selection Priority".
- b. Conduct a panel and prioritize selection; include amount of funds per selection

c. Administer names and monetary award amounts to the 363 TRS/TTW, Aircraft Armament Systems Flight

#### **Written Statement (Example)**

My name is Joe T. Loader. My parents are Fred and Wilma loader. I am the elder sibling of my brothers Tad and Paul. I was born in Millers pond, Florida on 1 April 1995. My father served for over 20 years at various locations. I am finishing high school at Coors Spring, Arkansas and plan on attending University of Florida in Gainesville, Fl this upcoming August 20XX. My previous and current year I have been on the Deans Honor roll and expect a 3.9 GPA upon graduation. I earned a sports letter in my junior year for the High Jump on the Track and Field team. When I was 11 I won a poetry writing contest for a poem written about my Father's career in weapons loading. I traveled to many different parts of the United States and Europe. I always remember hearing the loud aircraft and watching them land from looking through the window of our vehicle when we were on the base going to the swimming hole. My Father would have barbecues and have plenty of his co workers over the house, it would drive my Mother crazy as they would discuss work. For me, I knew it made my dad happy and watching him in uniform made me feel proud.

I have volunteered doing the various functions through my life

1994-present Red Cross Blood Mobile volunteer, 6 hrs per month 1993-present Brownie Leader Troop 334, 1 hr per week 1992-present Cub Scout Leader Den 555, 1 hr per week 1991-1993 USO volunteer, 2 hrs per week 1990-1992 Tutor Prince William County Adult Literacy Program, 6 hrs per week 1992-present Secretary, Johnson's Law Firm, Lorton, VA, 15 hrs per week

I have worked since I was sixteen and my latest employment is at the nearby fast food restraunt after school and on weekends. I average 15 hours a week, pending after school curriculum and track and field training and events. I understand the need of training and dedication and plan on continuing this way throughout college. Here are the locations in which worked

1992-present Secretary, Johnson's Law Firm, Lorton, VA, 8 hrs per week 1993 Vendor, local craft shows throughout the area, 12 hrs per week 1994 Restraunt Server, 15 hrs per week

I am requesting scholarship funds to offset college expenses in order to have more time to concentrate on my studies and plan on trying out for the University of Florida track and field team. The economy is harsh and college tution costs are rising and I plan on working, but these funds would be greatly appreciated to assist me in my future. I am very proud of my Father and

grateful for the places I was able to live, but it is time for me to live my life and this is the path I have chosen.

Sincerely

Joe T. Loader

#### PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

Authority to request this information is derived from Title 5, United States Code 301, and Departmental Regulations. The purpose of the information is to apply for educational financial assistance through the CMSgt Kebil Memorial Scholarship Program. Information provided will be used to assess scholastic achievement and to evaluate the need for financial assistance. Completion of this form is mandatory.

Applicant's Signature/Date

#### Checklist

- 1. Application
- 2. Official transcript sent from the high school or college.
- 3. Personal history/reason statement.
- 4. Privacy Act signed.
- 5. Federal Income Tax Forms

#### **Timeline**

1 May: AF 2W1 CFM provides notification to MFM

31 Dec: Applications must be submitted to AF 2W1 CFM

1-20 April: BoD Scholarship panel convenes to selection scholarship candidates

30 April: AF 2W1 CFM provide notice to 363TTW on selected candidates

1 June: 363 TTW distribute funds to applicable scholarship winners

These instructions are as of 7 July 2015

//signed, jrd, 07 July 2015//

JSAON R. DAVIS, CMSgt, USAF Air Force 2W1XX Career Field Manager