

The Ian Michael Burgett Memorial Fund Scholarship

The Ian Michael Burgett Memorial Fund was created to honor the memory of Ian Burgett, a high school senior who was killed in a tragic accident one month before his own graduation.

The Fund supports numerous charitable activities consistent with the thoughtful, kind, and considerate nature of Ian. One of those activities is this Memorial Scholarship, which provides financial support to a deserving high school senior who meets the selection criteria listed below.

This one-time \$2,000 (two thousand dollar) scholarship will be awarded each year to a graduating senior. Applications are accepted from high school seniors attending school in Isle of Wight County, Suffolk, Hampton, Newport News, York County, Chesapeake or Williamsburg/James City County. Home-schooled high school seniors from these locations are eligible to apply as well.

Applications will be evaluated by a selection committee appointed by the Executive Director of the Ian Michael Burgett Memorial Fund, in addition to the past scholarship recipients.

Selection Criteria for Applicants

1. Applicant must be a high school graduate who will be attending a four-year accredited college or a two-year transfer program to a four-year accredited college as a full-time student, and the scholarship must be used for the academic year it is awarded.
2. Applicant must exhibit exceptional character, thoughtfulness, a spirit of volunteerism, self-confidence, and a strong sense of self.
3. Applicant must be involved in extracurricular activities, either through school or outside organizations.
4. Neither financial need or GPA will be considered in the selection process.

Application Deadline

Applications are due March 31, 2018, either postmarked or hand-delivered to Farmers Bank in Smithfield VA. Applications submitted via email must be timestamped by 11:59pm on March 31, 2018. If hand delivering your application to Farmers Bank, please check their holiday schedule,

Payment of Scholarship Benefits

The Ian Burgett Memorial Scholarship will be paid directly to the college or university chosen by the scholarship recipient. Verification of graduation will be made prior to awarding the scholarship. The scholarship recipient is responsible for providing the mailing address, due date, and any other requirements of the college or university regarding payment of the scholarship by a check drawn from the Memorial Fund account.

The recipient of the 2018 scholarship will be notified no later than June 15, 2018.

The Ian Michael Burgett Memorial Fund is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization that serves the local community and does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, color, creed, religion or national origin in the awarding of its scholarships.

Ian Burgett Memorial Scholarship 2018 Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

High School: _____ Graduation Date: _____

University(ies) or College(s) I've applied to, in order of my preference. If accepted, indicate with a check mark:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Your complete scholarship application package will include the following:

1. Completed Applicant information (above) and signed Release Form (pg.4).
2. Resume including all activities, sports, and civic organizations you've participated in during high school, and any awards or honors received.
3. Two (2) Letters of Recommendation, addressing the selection criteria for the scholarship. Contact information to be included on each letter. Letters of recommendation should not be from a relative.
 - a. One letter from a teacher, administrator, employer, civic leader, or other.
 - b. One letter from a peer. This letter should also address how your peer knows you and why they feel you are deserving of this scholarship.
4. A 250 word essay minimum (double-spaced) on the following topic:
 - a. Describe a day in your life that was significant or memorable to you, and why? Describe that actual day in as much detail as possible.
5. Page 3 is to be completed any way you would like. This is your opportunity to present additional information about yourself that you would like the selection committee to consider in evaluating your application. There is no right or wrong way to complete Page 3.

Please do not staple any part of the application package. Place ALL required documentation (above) in ONE envelope. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Applications are due March 31, 2018.

I certify, to the best of my knowledge, all statements are true, correct, complete, and made in good faith. A false statement on any part of my application may be grounds for revoking my scholarship. I hereby give the Ian Michael Burgett Memorial Fund and its scholarship selection board permission to verify any information contained in my application. If necessary, you may be called for an interview to discuss the information in your application packet and/or be asked additional questions.

**** If you are under the age of eighteen (18), a parent/guardian is required to sign also.**

Student: _____ Date: _____

**Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Release:

By signing below, I hereby give the Ian Michael Burgett Memorial Fund, its scholarship selection committee, and Board of Directors permission to use my name, picture, comments, and information contained in my application in various advertising media. Advertising may include, but is not limited to, newspapers, magazines, newsletters, websites, Facebook, Twitter, and any others. In promoting the Ian Burgett Memorial Scholarship program, the Fund does not have to get prior permission or have any photograph or printed materials reviewed by the recipient or participant. There will be no compensation involved either to myself, heirs, or estate in the use of the materials described above.

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Student: _____ Date: _____

**Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Mail completed application packet to:

Farmer's Bank
Ian Burgett Memorial Scholarship
1119 S. Church Street
Smithfield, VA 23430

Or scan and email the completed application packet to:

lansrun@gmail.com

Please remember to place ALL required documentation in ONE envelope, and do not staple anything together. Incomplete applications or contents of the application packet that arrive separately will not be considered. Postmark deadline is March 31, 2018.