

Glenn Ratzlaff Memorial Scholarship



Glenn Ratzlaff was raised on a farm in Freeman, South Dakota and it was there that his passion for farming and the associated tractors influenced him. In the early 1990's, Glenn returned to South Dakota and brought back the pieces that used to be a family tractor. Glenn rebuilt and restored the tractor, one of many in his collection, to the pristine quality for which they are known. Glenn joined the Greater Kansas City Two-Cylinder Club (GKCTCC) in 1993 and held the office of 3rd Vice-President (1996-1997), President (1998-1999) and Historian (2006-2013). As an active member, Glenn chose to display his tractors in many of the parades The Club chose to participate.

On October 26, 2013, Glenn was driving one of his tractors to the Independence Halloween Parade when he was involved in an accident with a motor vehicle. Glenn suffered traumatic injury and died on November 8, 2013. Glenn was passionate about tractors and sharing his knowledge, the history, and heritage of farm tractors with others, especially the younger generation. In an effort to honor Glenn and this passion, the GKCTCC initiated the Glenn Ratzlaff Memorial Scholarship.

Duane "Spike" Spieker Memorial Scholarship



Duane "Spike" Spieker grew up in Carroll County, Iowa working on the family farm where he developed a knack for repairing vehicles and farm machinery, a skill that later set him apart while serving in the US Army during the Korean War. Spike moved to the Kansas City area where he started a family and career at Bendix. In addition to motorcycles, Spike enjoyed two-cylinder John Deere tractors and driving them in parades with son-in-law Joe Meyer and fellow tractor club members. Spike died June 24, 2013 and, knowing Spike's passion for early John Deere tractors and the tractor club, his family made a donation the GKCTCC in an effort create a memorial scholarship in his memory.

ELIGIBILITY and DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED

Eligible applicants must be pursuing an undergraduate degree or technical certification in an agricultural equipment technology program. The applicant of a completed submission will be considered for the \$1,000.00 Glenn Ratzlaff and Duane "Spike" Spieker memorial scholarships. Upon selection and acceptance of either scholarship, the awardee will no longer be eligible to apply for future awards.

Each applicant must:

- *Complete the application form in its entirety*
- *Submit proof of admission to an agricultural equipment program or college*
- *Provide a letter of recommendation from a non-family member*

SELECTION PROCESS and AWARD PRESENTATION

Application and supporting documents must be submitted by mail no later than October 1 to:

Memorial Scholarship Application
GKC Two-Cylinder Club
PO Box 14071
Lenexa, Kansas 66285

Greater Kansas City Two-Cylinder Club Vice-Presidents will review all entries and select the scholarship recipient. The recipient of the scholarship will be notified and receive the award, with official recognition, at the November meeting of the GKCTCC.

GKCTCC Memorial Scholarship - Application

Applicant Name _____ DOB: ____ / ____ / ____

Mailing Address _____ Apt # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ Email _____

College or Technical School attending _____

Please share your academic and professional goals. _____

Please share why you believe you are deserving of this scholarship. _____

Is there anything else you would like the selection committee to be aware of? _____

Signature: _____

By signing this application, I affirm all information submitted herein is true and accurate.