

Larry Love Memorial Scholarship Application

Application deadlines:

Fall: April 1

Application Criteria:

- 1) Enrolled in nursing course(Non renewable)
- 2) A 2.25 GPA in courses required for the nursing degree
- 3) Provide a narrative of financial need
- 4) Identify personal and professional goals
- 5) Write a personal philosophy of nursing describing caring for patients and family members

Recipient Criteria:

- 1) Write a thank-you letter addressed to the donor and submit to the Scholarship Committee Chair
- 2) Attend OSU-OKC donor appreciation events



Larry Love

\$450

(As funds are available.)

Larry Love, in spite of his many health problems, achieved many goals during the last 16 years of his life. Two of those achievements were earning a Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of Oklahoma and an Associate of Applied Science in Nursing from Oklahoma State University-Oklahoma City. One of his proudest moments was when he learned he had passed the National Council Licensing Examination and was officially a full-fledged registered nurse.

It was while in the hospital as a patient recovering from a heart attack and angioplasty in 1992 that Larry determined he wanted to become a nurse in order to help sick people. His role model was a young male nurse who cared for him at that time. Even though Larry had quadruple bypass surgery a year after his heart attack, he persevered in his studies and entered nursing school at OSU-OKC. Larry had also been the recipient of a kidney transplant, and his goal was to care for transplant patients and/or to coordinate educational activities for transplant patients and their families. However, he recognized the wealth of knowledge to be gained as a nurse on a general care unit and felt fortunate to have the opportunity to begin his nursing career on such a unit.

Larry's many experiences as a patient made him aware of the need for excellent patient health care. He also realized that patients and their families needed something more than medical help, they needed a professional who was sensitive and compassionate to their emotional needs. Larry was a nurse who was capable of fulfilling all of those patient needs.

After Larry's death on May 8, 2000 at age 38, his parents received many letters and cards from people who had been touched by his life. All said basically the same thing - that he was a sensitive, caring and loving person who never talked about or implied that he had health problems as serious as many of his patients. In one letter, a lady who lost both her parents in one year wrote,

"Between both my parents, they were in three different hospitals for a total of 30 weeks. Larry in his role as a nurse was the best one out of all three hospitals. He was gentle, concerned and thorough in caring for their needs. Yet he still had time to be present to us as a family. I was not at the hospital with my mother when she died, but knowing Larry was her nurse made my grief bearable. I knew she was treated with respect, care and that he had done all he could to make her last moments as good as was humanly possible. I never knew he had his own trials and limitations because he certainly didn't share them with me. He was a blessing to know."

This describes the kind of person and nurse that Larry Love was. This is the kind of person this scholarship fund hopes to help become a registered nurse.

Application Date: _____

Name _____ Student ID(CWID) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Email _____

Please indicate the nursing course in which you are currently enrolled.

NURS 1118 NURS 1148 NURS 1313 NURS 2218

On a separate sheet of paper, one page in 12 point font, please attach computer-generated responses to the following questions.

1. Indicate your yearly family income and briefly state your financial needs in narrative form.

- 0 - \$9,999
- \$10,000 - 19,999
- \$20,000 - 29,999
- \$30,000 - 39,999
- over \$40,000

2. State your personal/life goals.

3. State your professional/career goals.

4. Write a personal philosophy of nursing describing caring for patients and family members.

5. I agree to write a thank you letter addressed to the donor.

6. I agree to attend OSU-OKC appreciation events.

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GPA for courses required for nursing: _____