



FFDA Scholarship Application

Applications accepted on a continual basis

Scholarships donated by Funeral Services, Inc. and Service Corporation International

Scholarship Information

The FFDA receives multiple donations each year for scholarships. A minimum of \$3,000 will be given each year but, depending on funding from members, there could be additional funds to award over the \$3,000. Please call the FFDA office to inquire at 800/226-3332. The following are sponsors of the FFDA scholarship funds:

- Funeral Services, Inc. (FSI) has established a scholarship fund in the name of Doug Stowell and will award two scholarships per year at \$500 each (totaling \$1,000).
- Service Corporation, Inc. (SCI) has established a scholarship fund and will award four scholarships per year at \$500 each (totaling \$2,000).

Scholarship Award Application

The Florida Funeral Directors Association is committed to excellence in funeral service education. This scholarship award program has been established to support that commitment by providing scholarship funds that are awarded to qualified students of Mortuary Science Programs in an accredited Mortuary Science school who plan to serve the profession in the State of Florida.

All scholarships will be awarded at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee of the Florida Funeral Directors Association. Awards will be based on application information, academic record, and the evaluation of the required essays. The decision of the scholarship committee will be final. The committee reserves the right not to make the award if there are no applicants or if the applicants do not meet the standards of the committee. All awards will be made in June prior to the FFDA Annual Summer Convention and a presentation will be made during the Convention honoring the award recipients.

Notification of the award will be mailed to the student along with the scholarship funds. The funds awarded to the student are to be used at the discretion of the student for tuition, supplies, books, or items deemed necessary for the continuation of the mortuary science program.

The denominations to be awarded each year will be decided annually by the Board. Acceptable proof of legal Florida residency is voter registration card, driver's license, Florida Resident ID.

Eligibility Criteria

1. The applicant must have completed 30 credit hours in an accredited mortuary science school with no "D" grade in any mortuary science required class, and the student must have an overall GPA of not less than 2.5.
2. The applicant must be a legal resident of the State of Florida.
3. The applicant must be a student member of the Florida Funeral Directors Association.
4. The applicant must submit:
 - The completed application
 - Current college transcript or letter stating GPA from the Program Chairman.
 - Two (2) proofs of Florida residency
 - One (1) five hundred word essay
5. The application form and essays must be typed and double-spaced.

Essay

“Choosing Your Career”: Describe the process you used and the experiences you underwent in your decision to enter the funeral service profession and give your perception of the value of the funeral. Also, tell the Scholarship Committee about yourself and why you will make a great funeral service professional.

FFDA Funeral Service Scholarship Fund Application

Scholarships are funded by FSI, SCI and donations by individual members.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

How long have you lived at this address? _____ Social Security Number: _____

Previous Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Employer: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Immediate Supervisor: _____

Telephone Number: _____ How long have you worked there? _____

Previous Employer: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Immediate Supervisor: _____

Telephone Number: _____ How long did you work there? _____

High School Education

Circle highest grade completed: 7 8 9 10 11 12

Do you have a GED or equivalent? _____

What was your GPA? _____

College or University

Circle year completed: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Degree received? Yes No Date degree received: _____

Name of Degree: _____

Name of School: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Mortuary Science Education

Name of school you are attending: _____

Date started: _____ How many credit hours have you completed? _____

Anticipated completion date: _____ Student Number: _____

Personal References

Name: _____ Occupation: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Name: _____ Occupation: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Professional References

Name: _____ Occupation: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Name: _____ Occupation: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I am a legal resident of Florida and have resided in Florida for a minimum of twelve (12) months.

I certify that to the best of my knowledge the information contained in this application is correct and complete.

It is my intention to continue my mortuary science education and to enter the field of funeral service in the State of Florida upon successful completion of professional education, examination, and licensure.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Florida Funeral Directors Association

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