

LILAMAE SIPES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Lilamae Sipes was a lifetime resident of Mercer County. After her marriage to Vernon Sipes she became a farmwife, raised two children and loved her many grandchildren and great grandchildren. But that was not all she was. She came of age at the end of the second World War and teachers were in short supply. She attended Western Illinois University and received an emergency certificate that allowed her to teach at a local country school. She believed in education but also realized that not everyone was destined to be a doctor and that there was value in the trades and certification programs.

Thus, her family has established a scholarship in her name that is aimed at those students. It is intended to help out with small things, such as gas for transportation, books if necessary, tools of the trade and the small things that help.

Please fill out the application and essay by April 1. The amount will be \$500.00 and the student may reapply directly to us every year if needed.

Phyllis Bewley
410 NW 3rd St
Aledo, IL 61231

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Name of Applicant: _____

Address: _____

DOB: _____

Parent Name: _____

Please enclose a one page personal statement regarding your situation. Include what course of study or trade you intend to follow and why. We are specifically interested in helping students who want to pursue non traditional schooling.

Please send application and statement to:

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