

Middle Tennessee Chapter Military Officers Association of America

P. O. Box 50252 Nashville, TN 37205-0252

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Thank you to our members of the Middle Tennessee Chapter of MOAA for your continued financial support of our military families and veterans' scholarship programs. Your generous contributions have provided much needed assistance to veterans and military family members seeking a college degree.

We continue our focus on funding the *Middle Tennessee Chapter of MOAA Veteran's Scholarship* (\$1,000 annually) at three of our local universities: Belmont, Lipscomb and Tennessee State. These are administered with our written direction and available for veterans with priority going to permanently disabled and other combat wounded veterans. Since the GI Bill and the Yellow Ribbon Programs do not provide 100% of the funding students need, our scholarships can be the difference that allows a veteran to obtain a degree.

At the National MOAA level, we have completely funded four endowed MOAA scholarships with our completion of funding the fourth last year. Students (under age 24) who are children of former, active, or retired officers or enlisted military personnel are eligible to apply for the MOAA Scholarship program. In addition to our four endowed MOAA family member scholarships, we completed the endowment of a veteran scholarship at Lipscomb University.

And a special note to our Chapter members who have arrived at the age where they must take Required Minimum Distributions (RMD) and have the option of making Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD). Our scholarship initiatives fall within the guidelines provided in IRS Publication 590-B (2020), so following consultation with your financial advisor/CPA, you may want to consider a QCD donation to support the Chapter scholarship program.

None of these programs would be possible without your generous contributions and, as you can see, our Middle Tennessee Chapter is a leader in supporting veterans and their families in furthering their education and, consequently, improving their ability to contribute to the nation. Your board is once asking that every chapter member make as a minimum a \$25.00 tax-deductible contribution to support this very worthwhile initiative. Should you choose to make a direct contribution to MOAA in response to their National solicitation, we would sincerely appreciate your annotating your check to have the funds credited to the Middle Tennessee Chapter contribution.

We have enclosed a self-addressed envelope which can be used to send your check made payable to the MTC MOAA Scholarship Fund to P.O. Box 50252, Nashville, TN 37205-0252. We ask that you make every effort to do so by October 30, 2024. Thank you again for supporting this highly worthwhile endeavor!

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