



Patsy Martin Scholarship

Patsy Lou Wilson Martin was born on October 30, 1942. She graduated from Shenandoah High School in 1960 and the University of Northern Iowa in 1964. Patsy was united in marriage to Charles Edward Martin on December 26, 1965 in Shenandoah. In 1966, Patsy started a 42 year career with the Clarinda School District as a Language Arts teacher and retired in 2008. Patsy passed away in 2014 after an extended illness. The Martin Family established this scholarship in Patsy's honor. The Patsy Martin Scholarship will award a scholarship to a Clarinda High School graduating senior who is pursuing a degree in English, particularly teaching or writing.

The following guidelines will be used in making the scholarship selection:

- 1. The scholarship must be used to help pay the cost of college.
- 2. The Clarinda Foundation shall disburse the scholarship grant to the Accredited University in one payment prior to the beginning of the fall semester of year in which the scholarship is awarded.
- 3. A committee consisting of 4 persons shall consist of: 1) one named by the Clarinda Foundation (who shall serve as chair of the committee), 2) the Clarinda Community High School Principal, 3) Clarinda Community High School Guidance Counselor and 4) 1 representative of the family.
- 4. The selection committee reserves the right to not award the scholarship should they determine that no applicant is worthy.
- 5. To qualify for a scholarship the applicant must be a graduating senior of Clarinda Community High School and eligible for enrollment at an accredited University, pursuing a college degree in English Teaching, or writing.
- 6. The application must be typed or computer generated and shall include an essay addressing the following:
 - a. College the graduate plans to attend or those that they are considering.
 - b. The intended major of the graduate and why they have chosen this as their major.

- c. The graduate's contributions to their high school and the community.
- d. Any work history the graduate may have.
- e. The graduate's extracurricular activities.
- 7. The scholarship shall be awarded without regard to race, color, creed, gender, nationality, origin or physical handicap.