

MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION PROGRAM

Corporal Joe Halley Scholarship (USMC - WW II - Carlson's Raiders)

Scholarship Description

The Marine Raiders were elite fighting units established by the United States Marine Corps during World War II to conduct amphibious light infantry warfare. "Edson's" Raiders of 1st Marine Raiders Battalion and "Carlson's" Raiders of 2nd Marine Raiders Battalion are said to be the first United States special operations forces to form and see combat in World War II. The movie "Gung Ho!: The Story of Carlson's Makin Island Raiders" was released in 1943 to look at the true story of Carlson's Raiders and their World War II attack on Makin Island. In particular, the Carlson's Raiders were a group of elite Marines that scouted out Japanese bases in the Pacific during World War II. These Marine Raiders specialized in amphibious attacks behind enemy lines. Corporal Joe Halley was a member of the United States Marine Corps during World War II and a member of "Carlson's" Raiders. Corporal Halley was wounded at Iwo Jima, Japan and received the Purple Heart.

Amount of Scholarship Award **\$500.00**

Purpose and Application of Funds

The purpose of this scholarship is to financially assist veterans who have exhausted government aid, or who might not otherwise have the financial means to further their education. This scholarship award can be utilized to pay for the *required* cost of tuition, fees, books, tools, supplies, testing or examination fees, transportation, or other incidental required cost related to the cost of the post-secondary education institution. This scholarship is to be awarded to a veteran who is attending an institution of higher education, technical school, or vocational trade school.

Eligibility Guidelines

1. Must be an enrolled citizen of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.
2. Must be a veteran currently attending an institution of higher education or enrolled as a first-time entering student.
3. Must demonstrate financial need.
4. Must agree to authorize the Scholarship Foundation Program to publicize the scholarship award if selected.