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UT Knoxville Folds of Honor Scholarship Recipients Nyah Palmer (left), Rosemarie Villegas (right) with Vols of Honor Founder Jennifer Armstrong (UTK '72)

## SCHOLARSHIP VOLS ENDOWMENT

#### Supporting Families of the Ultimate

VOLUNTEERS



in partnership with



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For more information on supporting military and first responder families at UT Knoxville, contact:

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For more information on the **Folds of Honor,** visit: foldsofhonor.org

## **MISSION OBJECTIVE:**

Provide additional scholarship support to UTK students whose parents were killed or disabled through their service as a member of the military or as a first responder.

There is no price to be put on the loss of a loved one, especially when that life is cut short in the service of country or community. Those fallen leave behind children, wives, and husbands, all of whom carry the emotional and financial burden of such a traumatic event.

Founded in 2007, the **Folds of Honor** provides life-changing educational scholarships to spouses and children of US military members and first responders who have fallen or been disabled during their service.

Through the vision of alumna Jennifer Armstrong ('72) of Manhasset, New York, the University of Tennessee, Knoxville became the first university in the nation to partner with **Folds of Honor** in its mission through the establishment of the **Vols of Honor Scholarship Endowment.** As a result, students at UT Knoxville who have suffered this type of loss can now receive additional financial support to pursue their educational dreams through the **Vols of Honor Scholarship Endowment.** 

## 80 UTK STUDENTS received Folds of Honor Scholarships from 2022-2024

# **Average unmet financial need for Folds of Honor scholarship recipients**

The dream of every parent is to provide for their family and ensure their futures are secure. For families who have suffered the loss of a loved one or are adjusting to a life-altering injury, that dream can be stripped away through no fault of their own.

The goal of **the Vols of Honor Endowment** is to provide scholarships that **reduce** or **eliminate** the unmet financial need of UT Knoxville students whose families have already sacrificed so much.

### Stand in the gap.



Through your support of the Vols of Honor

Scholarship Endowment, you help fill the financial gap for students whose fathers, mothers, or spouses made the ultimate sacrifice. Your generosity lends financial support that loved ones may no longer be able to provide.

WAYS TO GIVE

- Cash or Check
- Online: giving.utk.edu/volsofhonor
- Stocks or Securities
- Charitable IRA Distribution

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Allison and Jacklyn Goodman 2023-2024 Vols of Honor Scholarship Recipients

The Folds of Honor Scholarship has been so helpful, and it also makes our family feel valued. It recognizes our achievements along with the sacrifices our dad made for our country. The additional support from UT alumni and friends through the Vols of Honor Scholarship was unexpected and has really helped reduce the financial stress for our entire family.



Folds of Honor was founded by U.S. Air Force Lt Col Dan Rooney after he observed a plane-side, dignified transfer of the remains of a fellow service member. The event changed his life and fueled his passion to support families of those left behind. Since its inception in 2007, **Folds of Honor** has awarded over 51,000 scholarships, totaling approximately \$240 million to students from all 50 states.

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