



UTI FOUNDATION



Brian T. Rounds Travel Grant

Information Sheet

Brian Tramel Rounds was born on February 29, 1988 in St. Louis, Missouri. He was nine months old when his family made the transition to the South and decided that Atlanta would be their new home. Brian attended Bryant Elementary and Turner Middle School. His high school memories began at Lithia Springs High School and were continued at Chapel Hill High School, where he graduated in 2005. He was involved in varsity athletics as a member of the basketball teams at both schools. Brian had been a car enthusiast since his early childhood days but it was during these days that he was introduced to the world of motorcycling. He was fascinated with the motorcycle and the speed and power that they possessed and would always tell his family that, "I'm gonna get my own bike one day!"

He went on to attend Georgia Southern University briefly before making the move to Phoenix, Arizona in 2007 to attend the Motorcycle Mechanic Institute (MMI). His dream of owning a bike came true in early 2008 when he became the proud owner of his 2006 Suzuki GSXR 1000. Brian experienced some of the best moments of his life riding his bike during his days in Arizona. He often told his family how much fun he was having exploring the desert roads and passing the beautiful mountains during long rides. He also worked the hardest during this time and achieved one of the proudest moments of his life when he completed the program and graduated on May 25, 2008 as a Certified Mechanic for Suzuki Motorcycles and Recreational Vehicles. Brian moved back home to Atlanta after graduation and took the summer off to relax before enrolling as a student at Chattahoochee Technical College to pursue a degree in Business Management. He had hopes of starting his own aftermarket motorcycle parts venture and planned to use his education and technical skills to make this a reality.

Unfortunately, Brian Rounds passed away on December 18th, 2008 while doing what he loved to do the most – riding his motorcycle.

His family is honoring him by establishing the **Brian T. Rounds Travel Grant** to carrying on his legacy. This grant will help another deserving student accomplish their dream just as Brian did at MMI in Phoenix, Arizona.

Purpose:

This fund is available only to future students enrolled to attend the MMI Phoenix campus with a start date in October-December 2009 or January-February 2010. Eligible applicants must also be relocating from either St. Louis, MO; Atlanta, GA; or Arizona. The purpose of the fund is to provide a cash grant to assist a future MMI Phoenix student cover a shortage of funds needed to relocate and start school. The award can be used to assist with moving or cost of living expenses.

Selection Process:

Selection of award recipient will be made by the UTI Foundation with final review and selection by the family of Brian T. Rounds.

Award Amount:

The award will consist of a \$500 cash grant payable to the student once they have relocated and started school. The award will be made to the recipient in early March 2010.

Award Criteria:

- A high school graduate relocating from either St. Louis, MO; Atlanta, GA; or Arizona.
- A future student with a start date in October-December 2009 or January-February 2010, enrolled at the MMI Phoenix, AZ campus.
- A demonstrated financial need, as described in the application, and a 250 word essay
- Application must be submitted by the deadline below.

DEADLINE INFORMATION:

By FAX: *applications must be received by at least 3-weeks prior to your start date.*

By MAIL: *applications must be postmarked no later than 3-weeks prior to your start date.*

Fax to: **623-445-0986** (Note: If you hear a voice, please press the (*) star key)

–or– **623-445-9501**, Attn: UTI Foundation

Mail to: UTI Foundation, 20410 N. 19th Ave., Suite 200, Phoenix, AZ 85027

