

Seth Stapleton Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is being given in memory of Seth Stapleton who passed away after being involved in a tragic accident on October 17, 2015. Besides playing football, Seth was an avid outdoorsman. He loved to hunt and fish. He developed a passion for shooting when he competed on the 4-H shotgun team. He did really well that year as a beginner, and this only increased his commitment to the sport. After shooting with the 4-H team, Seth wanted to expand his shooting skills. He joined the Lake Oconee Shotgun Team (LOST). He loved the competition, and he would seek advice and tips from more experienced shooters to improve his skills. As he grew in his skills and knowledge, he would help younger shooters. He wanted others to enjoy shooting as he did. Many have said that Seth had natural ability for shooting, and this sport did so much to boost his self-confidence. We, his family, want to recognize others who love shooting as much as Seth did.

Seth would describe himself as a “good old country boy” who loved his family, friends, and God. He had a strong moral compass, and he stood up for his beliefs even if that was not always the popular thing to do. His friends would say he was loyal and trustworthy. Academics were not always his strong suit, and to be honest, he struggled in some subjects, but he always made an effort towards improvement. Seth was also known as a hard worker. He had a small grass cutting business, worked at a Christmas tree farm during the holidays, and worked at a neighbor’s farm during the summer. He had to stay busy and wanted to earn his own money which he used to make enhancements to his truck or to buy hunting or fishing gear. Seth was known for his sweet smile and his kind heart.

Congratulations, you have been nominated to apply for this scholarship. Please fill out the information below and return this application to Ray and Angela Stapleton, 1070 Riden Rd., Madison, Georgia 30650 by **April 15, 2026**. If you choose to send this application electronically, please make a copy of the original application which is a google document. You can send the application by email to shootforsethapps@gmail.com. Those selected to receive the scholarship will be notified in June. Please note that incomplete and late applications may not be considered. Thank you for your application.

Seth Stapleton Memorial Scholarship Application Form

Name: _____ Contact number: _____

Parent(s) Name: _____ Contact number (s): _____

Address: _____

Personal Email Address: _____

Parent Email Address: _____

Name and Location of Shotgun Team: _____

Number of years competing in shooting sports: _____

Current High School Attending: _____

When is your school's honors program/ceremony? _____

Name of college, technical school, or branch of military you plan to attend:

Have you been accepted? _____

Intended college major or field of study? _____

Grade Point Average: _____

School Activities (including any positions of leadership):

Community Activities:

Honors, Awards, and Scholarships that you have received:

(Application continued on the next page.)

Please attach an essay answering ALL (5) the following questions:

1. What do you consider to be your greatest strength(s)? Why?
2. What are areas in which you would like to make improvements?
3. Describe how competing on a shotgun team has impacted your life.
4. Read Seth's description at the top of the application. Why do you believe you are deserving of this scholarship?
5. Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

Please include the following with your completed application and essay:

1. School transcript
2. Two letters of character reference from a teacher, pastor, counselor, employer, or community member. References should be from non-coaching and non-family members. Please have these placed in a sealed envelope, or they can be mailed directly to us on or before **April 15, 2026.**

Ray and Angela Stapleton

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