

January 13,2025

To: Coaches

From: Ray, Angela, and Drew and Bridgett Stapleton; Steve Lane and Family

Subject: Seth Stapleton Memorial Scholarship

For the last nine years, we have hosted The Shoot for Seth, and we have raised funds for the Seth Stapleton Memorial scholarship fund. Again this year, we will be awarding several \$1,000 scholarships in memorial to our son, Seth, but we need your help. We would like for you to nominate at least 2 senior shooters from your team. Please complete the attached coach's recommendation form/rating scale and return it to us and give the attached application to the shooters of your choice by **March 1, 2025**. This will give them enough time to complete the application by **April 15, 2025**. The rating scale will serve as your recommendation and give us a little more information when making our selection. You will need to **make a copy of the google document** or you can save this to a word document and then send it to me (shootforsethapps@gmail.com) as an attachment, or you can print it out and mail it to Angela and Ray Stapleton, 1070 Riden Rd., Madison, GA 30650.

For those of you who did not personally know Seth, the following information might help you understand him a little better. Seth was an avid outdoorsman, and he loved to fish and hunt. He began his love of shooting on the Morgan County 4-H Shotgun Team. He did very well and decided that he wanted to pursue this sport. He joined the Lake Oconee Shotgun Team and competed with them for several years before his accident. He loved competing, and this sport helped to boost his self-confidence. Seth was not a strong academic student, but he wanted to please us and his teachers so he tried and was successful in passing all his courses. He knew when he had to buckle down in the classroom and in competitions. In addition to shooting, Seth played football for Morgan County High School. Like most athletes, he did not like practice very much, but he gave it his all on Friday nights. He was a hard worker on and off the field. He had several part time jobs and used his money to make improvements to his truck or buy hunting and fishing equipment/attire, or gifts for his family. He had a sweet smile and a kind heart. His friends will tell you he was loyal and caring, but he had strong values, and he stood up for what he believed was right and wrong. To all those that knew him, Seth was a well-rounded young man and could carry on conversations with adults as well as his peers. Seth would describe himself as a "good old country boy". We are looking to honor someone like Seth. Thank you in advance for taking your time to nominate a young man or woman who you feel is deserving of this honor.

Sincerely,

The Stapleton Family

The Steve Lane Family

Coach's Nomination and Rating Sheet

Name of Nominee: _____

Name and location of Team: _____

Coach's Name: _____

Coach's email or contact number: _____

On a scale of 1 to 5 (being the best) please rate your nominee on the following:

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| 1. Work Ethic | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 2. Loyalty | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 3. Compassion for others | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 4. Team player | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 5. Responsibility | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

Please take a moment to tell us why you have chosen to nominate this shooter.
