

# ELEVATE

ORLANDO

## Stephen B. Hatcher Memorial Scholarship Fund



Stephen B. Hatcher faithfully served the Orlando community with his gifts and time for nearly 35 years. In 1978, Steve graduated with a B.A. with honors and distinction from Rhodes College, formerly known as Southwestern At Memphis. Steve was an active member and led Bible studies with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, through which he met his wife, Becky. Following graduation, Steve earned a J.D. from Vanderbilt University School of Law in 1981 and an LL.M. in taxation from the University of Florida School of Law in 1982.

Steve started his legal career with the firm of Anderson & Rush in Orlando, Florida. In October 1984, Steve joined the firm of Zimmerman, Kiser & Sutcliffe in Orlando, where he practiced for almost 35 years. He served as President of the firm from 2008 to 2018.

As a husband, father, father-in-law, and grandfather, Steve exemplified patience, discernment, joy, and love. He had a God-given gift for listening intently and providing wise counsel. He loved serving Christ by investing in the lives of others whether it was as Scoutmaster of Troop 687; as an Elder at Orangewood Presbyterian Church; playing music, basketball, or golf with his sons and friends; serving on the Board of the National Christian Foundation Orlando Advisory Board and the Board of Directors for Jobs Partnership of Florida; in his role as a certified Christian Conciliator through Peacemaker Ministries; or as President of ZKS.

In establishing this scholarship, Steve's family and friends wish to recognize and invest in a male student committed to continuing his education and community service.

The Stephen B. Hatcher Memorial Scholarship Fund will award a 4-year \$10,000 scholarship (\$2,500 per year) annually to a graduating senior male student enrolled in ELEVATE Orlando's program at Evans, Jones, or Oak Ridge School.

### The scholarship eligibility criteria are as follows

- Graduating senior male student enrolled in ELEVATE Orlando at Evans, Jones or Oak Ridge High School.
- Student must have a minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- Student must be enrolled full-time in an accredited postsecondary institution (college/university, technical or vocational school).
- Student must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application.
- Student must have an unmet financial need as verified by the institution's financial aid office. Scholarship funds are sent directly to the institution.

### How to apply

- ✓ Complete the online application at [www.elevateorlando.org](http://www.elevateorlando.org)
- ✓ Submit transcripts
- ✓ Complete 500-word essay describing your future plans and goals including how you plan to achieve them.
- ✓ **Deadline to apply is April 7th of every year** – Contact your Teacher/Mentor if you have any questions.