

Sam Taylor Memorial Scholarship

Sponsored by the Illinois Hereford Association and Charles and Sheila Burton

Sam Taylor loved Hereford cattle and working with young people. Growing up in Rushville, Illinois, Sam learned early in life the value of friendship and communication. His parents John Taylor and Shelia and Charlie Burton helped shape Sam in to a confident young man that could strike up a conversation with anyone. His one of a kind personality combined with his love for Hereford cattle earned him the nickname “Sammy Hereford.”

In High School, Sam began to put these skills to work in his local community and throughout the state through FFA and the junior Hereford associations. After serving as Section 13 FFA President, Sam was elected to the post of State FFA President. This provided Sam the opportunity to travel the state and teach other young people about agriculture, leadership, communication, and his favorite topic, Hereford cattle. During his term as State FFA President, Sam touched many people’s life through his generosity, humor, and friendship.

Sam passed away on August 2, 1993, but his memory and spirit will live on with many Hereford breeders and FFA members and alumni for a lifetime. This scholarship is designed to recognize those youth that exhibit many of the same qualities and Sam so well portrayed.

Purpose:

- Award 1 (one) \$1000 scholarship to the most deserving member of the Illinois Junior Hereford Association (IJHA) to aid in the financing of their college education

Requirements:

- Must be a paid member of the Illinois Junior Hereford Association (IJHA). The individual can raise/exhibit either Polled or Horned Herefords.
- Applicants must be between the ages of 16 and 22 years of age, have attained at least the status of a high school senior, and be an Illinois resident.
- Provide evidence of acceptance or enrollment in a 4-year college or university. Examples include a letter of acceptance, transcript, or tuition bill.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSION IS June 1

Please send your completed application and evidence of acceptance/enrollment to:

**Buddy Edenburn
1764 U.S. Route 136
Penfield, IL 61862
jim.edenburn@clarkdietz.com**

What are your plans after College?

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ESSAY: In your opinion, what steps does our breed need to take in the future?

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ESSAY: Leadership, passion, and friendship are words that described Sam Taylor. How can these characteristics benefit the entire beef industry? (not to exceed 250 words)

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ESSAY: Describe how you became involved with Hereford cattle and explain what they mean to you? (not to exceed 250 words)

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Signed & Dated by the Applicant

Signed & Dated by Parent/Guardian