

THE JEFFREY D. THORNBURY, JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

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The Horse Farm Workers' Educational Assistance Fund is honored to announce the creation of the Jeffrey D. Thornbury, Jr. Memorial Scholarship.

Since its inception in 1996, the Fund has provided educational assistance funds for a deserving group of young people who possess an outstanding work ethic and dedication to the equine industry. Jeffrey D. Thornbury, a former Horse Farm Scholar, was the embodiment of the Fund's collective mission.

The Chet and Kim Blackey family have provided initial funding for this Scholarship.

As stated by Board member, Chet Blackey, "Jeff displayed exceptional talent and devotion from the foaling stall to the finish line. His equine excellence was but one facet of a much more sophisticated persona. He was a photographer, outdoorsman and athlete with many other interests, but none higher than his love of dogs, friends, and family."

"I have never met a man," said Blackey, "who approached hard work and play with the same indefatigable zeal. His skills as a horseman as well as his interpersonal skills were unparalleled in my experience. It gives the Blackey family great happiness to establish this award in memory of a unique horseman and friend."

The Horse Farm Workers' Educational Assistance Fund is a 501(c)(3) tax exempt charity that was created to provide scholarship assistance for education after high school to the children of full-time Thoroughbred horse farm workers in central Kentucky. Through 2014, over 548 scholarships have been awarded.

For additional information about the Fund or this award, please call Muffy Stuart, Fund coordinator, at 859-269-1719. www.horsefarmworkerseducationfund.com