Colonel Lee L. Nichols, Jr. '44 Scholarship

History:

Entering VMI in the fall of 1940, COL Lee L. Nichols, Jr. remained as a cadet until resigning in 1943 to enter military service with the Army. Returning in 1946, he graduated with the Class of 1947 with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering. The following year, he took up his duties as an instructor, leaving the Institute only to obtain advanced degrees. Promoted to full professor in 1961, he served as department head and director of engineering from 1968 to 1987. He also served as an assistant commandant and as a member of the tactical staff and was for years the Superintendent's representative to the Honor Court.

Purpose:

The purpose of the Colonel Lee L. Nichols, Jr. '44 Scholarship is to recognize the outstanding teaching and service rendered by Lee Nichols in a career at VMI which spanned 1947 to 1991, and to provide scholarship assistance to VMI cadets subject to the stipulations below.

Eligibility:

Preference will be given to a cadet from Rockbridge County, then to a cadet from Virginia.
Preference will be given to a cadet enrolled in the electrical and computer engineering curriculum.
The award will be made following successful completion of the Rat year.
The award will be need-based. There must be satisfactory evidence that the recipient is striving to the greatest possible degree in every aspect of his cadetship.

Award:

A $3,000 scholarship is available each academic year. A recipient may continue to receive the award in subsequent years of his cadetship subject to all of the eligibility conditions above.

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