

THE O. R. JACKSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



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Oscar Robert Jackson, Sr.

1914 - 1988

He was one of a kind. Oscar Robert Jackson, Sr., born on August 8, 1914, Nashville, Tennessee, was the fourth of five children of the late William and Lizzie Payton Jackson. The curtain fell on his earthly life on Sunday, May 8, 1988, at Meharry-Hubbard Hospital, after an extended illness.

He was educated in the public schools of Nashville, Tennessee, graduating from Pearl High School in 1931. His educational goals and objectives were attained through his studies at Tennessee State University where he received the B. S. Degree; North Carolina Central University, M. S. Degree; Yale University, Certificate of Alcohol Studies; Mammouth College, Diploma in Reading; and Post-Graduate work, Fisk University.

After graduating from college, he served as Dean of Men at Natchez College and Tougaloo College in Mississippi. In 1950, he returned to Nashville to teach for a year at Washington Junior High School. He served as Principal of Carter-Lawrence Elementary School from 1951 until the spring of 1958.

In the fall of 1958, Mr. Jackson became Principal of Cameron High School, which is the location now for Cameron Middle School. He served as Principal of Cameron until suffering a heart attack in 1970. He retired from Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools on April 23, 1971.

He was a member of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, member of the Vestry, member of the Choir, and was a Lay Reader for seventeen years.

Mr. Jackson was a charter member of Bordeaux North YMCA; served on the Board of Directors of the Nashville Urban League and South Street Center; member of the Board of Commissioners, Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency; member of the Board, Grace M. Eaton Day Home; Life Member of the National Education Association, National Association of Secondary School Principals, Tennessee Retired Teachers Association, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity; member of NAACP, the Alumni Association of Tennessee State University, Phi Delta Kappa (George Peabody College Chapter), 33rd Degree Mason, and Frontiers International.

The death of Mr. Jackson ended a chapter in the history of education where he left his imprint on the lives of many students. He was a legend; he possessed the drive, the energy, the courage, the determination, the almighty will, and the Grace of God which characterized him as having marks of an educated man.

He was a man for all seasons. He was a "tough boss" who could be abrasive, but one knew he was a teacher with a mission. Mr. Jackson was king of all he surveyed and no one seemed to have ever doubted it.

Mr. Jackson, as has been noted, was a legend in education --- and legends tend to live on in the minds of those who remember. He has now passed the torch to a new generation.



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Cameron High School Alumni Association, Inc.

PURPOSES

1. To perpetuate an awareness of pride in the Cameron heritage
2. To reward academic excellence
3. To encourage post-secondary education

AMOUNT

Upon notification of acceptance by the chosen post-secondary institution, the amount awarded will be paid to that institution on behalf of the recipient

ELIGIBILITY

Applicant must be a prospective graduate of Davidson or surrounding county high school

REQUIREMENTS

1. Student must have minimum GPA of 3.00
2. Student must complete scholarship application
3. Student must indicate a desire for the scholarship by submitting a handwritten or typed two (2) page biographical sketch
4. Student must supply three (3) letters of recommendation, one from: School Counselor, School Principal or Teacher, and Community person (Pastor, friend, etc)
5. Student must submit copy of high school transcript, including ACT and SAT scores, and rank in class

PROCEDURES

1. Applications must be postmarked by March 31, 2012
2. Applications must be mailed to:

Cameron High School Alumni Association, Inc.
Attention: 2012 Scholarship Committee
%Mrs. Peggy V. Gooch
P. O. Box 681
Antioch, TN 37013

3. The selected applicants will be notified by telephone of time and place of their interview

4. The Scholarship recipients will be presented at the school's Award's Day Program, if applicable

Note: This Foundation adheres to the guidelines set forth by the Federal Government not to discriminate against race, sex, religion, creed, or gender. We are a 501 ©(3) organization.

Complete and Return

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

For

O.R. Jackson Memorial Scholarship

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CAMERON HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC.

Name of Applicant _____ SSN _____

Mailing Address _____

Permanent Home Address _____

Age _____ Sex _____ Telephone Number _____

Father's Name _____ Occupation _____

Mother's Name _____ Occupation _____

High School (applicant) _____

Name of College/ University you will attend: _____

College Major or Career Goal _____

Awards and Honors (9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th):

Extra-curricular Activities:

Other School and Community Service:

(If additional space is needed, please attach extra paper)

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COUNSELOR'S EVALUATION FORM

Student _____ School _____

Please check applicable category for each question:

- I. High School Curriculum Academic (College Preparatory)
 General
 Other
 - A. Rank in High School Class Top 2 %
 Top 5 %
 Top 10 %
 Top 25 %
 - B. Exact Rank _____ Out Of _____ Graduating Seniors
 - C. Cumulative Grade Point Average At End Of Fall Semester _____
- II. Other information (Please specify any factors which may affect student's education, e.g., unusual personal or family circumstances, special talents or abilities)

_____.

Please Provide Standard Test Scores:

ACT _____

SAT _____

OTHER _____

Signature of Counselor _____

Date _____