

# 2024 Shon Trimble Memorial Scholarship

**Program Details:** May 1 2024 at 11:59 PM CDT (Midnight)

**Recommendation Deadline:** May 1 2024 11:59 PM CDT (Midnight)

Note: This scholarship will NOT be awarded at the Brandon Valley Bands Awards Banquet in 2024. The winner will be notified in mid-May by the Sioux Falls Community Foundation.

## DESCRIPTION



In only 37 years, Shon lead a full life and touched so many hearts. He had a rare capacity for joy, making the most of every day. Shon knew that to do good in this life was its own reward, so he measured his every action against what he believed to be right and decent.

Shon had a broad appreciation for music, enjoying jazz, pop, soft rock, synthesized and classical. As a Brandon Valley High School student, he was proud to be the Alto Sax soloist in the Jazz Band, and to lead the Marching Band in parades and on the field as Drum Major. Band Director, Bob Goheen, shared this memory of Shon, "Trimble was a leader and a role model. A few years after his 1983 graduation, Shon came back to say thanks. He was mature, congenial, and not hesitant to talk to me as his former teacher and a friend. As a teacher, that's one of the nicest perks."

While his primary interest during high school was auto racing, he was also active in the Civil Air Patrol, preparing himself for enlistment in the South Dakota Air National Guard immediately upon graduation. During his 19 years with the Guard as an Intelligence Analyst, Shon was deployed to Belgium, Panama, England, Kuwait, Curacao, Alaska and Singapore as a Master Sergeant.

In college at USD, he studied Computer Science and Math, resulting in his position as a Senior Computer Analyst at Citibank for 13 years.

Shon believed life was only as fulfilling as one makes it; he was excited to go off to work each morning and to serve his country in the SD Air National Guard. He spent many happy hours motorcycling, bicycling, computer-simulated racing, spending time with family and friends, and closely following the Formula I racing circuit throughout the world.

A friend and fraternity brother at USD said, "No one of us here knows what time or day we will leave this earth. We can try to live the very best that we can to be a gift to others. Shon did very well in the short life he led."

His mother, Karen Trimble, is proud to honor Shon's love of BVHS and the music department with this annual scholarship. He would be gratified to be remembered in this manner, leaving a gift for others.

## **REQUIREMENTS**

Applicants must be graduating seniors of Brandon Valley High School who plan to attend a four-year college or university. Successful applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

**NUMBER OF AWARDS: 1**

**AWARD AMOUNT: \$1,250**

**Applications:**

<https://www.sfacf.org/grants-scholarships/scholarships/scholarship-opportunities-for-graduating-high-school-seniors>