

# Scott Allan Thompson Memorial Program Endowment

Scott Allan Thompson was born April 22, 1957, older sibling to Dawn and Todd. Their parents were long-time Devils Lake residents Allan and Evon Thompson.

Scott began his education at Prairie View Elementary School in Devils Lake. He attended Sunday School at and eventually became a confirmed member of Saint Olaf Lutheran Church.

During the summer months, he was employed at the family-owned Thompson's Glass and Paint, working alongside his father. Scott has been described as having a quiet nature with a competitive trait and seemed to enjoy "living on the edge." Snowmobile racing in North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Canada was simply part of Scott. He would easily capture first-place trophies. It became a family affair for the Thompsons to join Scott in his many travels as a young,

acclaimed snowmobile enthusiast. He was also an avid motor-cyclist, fisherman, and hunter. To add even more excitement to this adventurous sixteen-year-old's life, he enrolled in flying lessons, learning from one of the Lake Region's legends, Dan Wakefield, Sr. Flying merely added to the exhilaration Scott was seeking.

Scott was a junior at Devils Lake High School at the time of his death on September 25, 1973. His life was taken entirely too soon by a motorcycle accident west of Devils Lake. Even

though Scott is no longer with us, his zest for life continues to be an inspiration to his family and to everyone who knew him.

Proceeds from the Scott Allan Thompson Program Endowment will be used to strengthen the LRSC Simulation Technology program. ■



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*This endowment was established with a gift from I. F. LaFleur and Sons, Inc. in recognition of generations of close relationships between their family and the Thompsons. Scott was a special friend of the LaFleur children, and his loss was a sad event. "He really left a lasting impression on all of us," said Rick LaFleur.*