

The John Ross Laronda Memorial Scholarship  
Old Colony Vocational Technical High School

John Ross Laronda graduated in 2006 with a concentration in automotive. He enjoyed working in the family-owned auto body and towing business as part of his curriculum and after graduation. He was also a graduate of the American Firefighter Academy and acquired the Firefighter II and EMT Certifications. In 2013, he moved to Virginia and proudly referred to himself as "topman" of the family owned business, Perkins Twin Tire in Altavista, Va.

John Ross served as the Captain of the Altavista Fire Company until his sudden death. He loved volunteering and helping people in his communities. He also showed a great dedication for local education. The years he spent in Altavista, he would bring the ladder truck to every home football game and sound the horn when the team scored. He was well respected in both communities he lived in for his service and leadership. The family of John Ross Laronda founded this scholarship to honor his memory and assist an eligible senior in pursuing his/her occupational goals.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

College/University/Technical School you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted? \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ Not yet

Program of study \_\_\_\_\_

Eligibility for this scholarship

- \* Must have a GPA of 2.0 or better
- \* Must be accepted and enrolled in an accredited college or program
- \* Attach an activity resume that includes community service, school activities and honors, and work experience
- \* Attach current transcript and one semester report card
- \* Statement of financial need including number of children in the family, special circumstances, how you would fund college costs
- \* Three letters of recommendation including one from a teacher and one from a community service supervisor