

# RUSSELL SLIWICKI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



## FUND BACKSTORY . . .

All who knew Russell Sliwicki remember him for his quick wit, gentle spirit, and unwavering kindness. He was a loving family man, a dedicated community leader, and a loyal friend whose presence brought warmth and laughter to those around him.

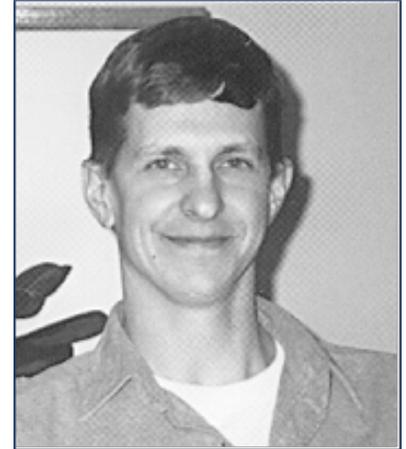
Following his passing on March 12, 2002, after a courageous battle with cancer, family, friends, neighbors, colleagues, and members of the Easton-Hewitt-Wausau Lions Club came together to honor his memory. Their collective gifts established the Russell Sliwicki Memorial Scholarship Fund, ensuring that his legacy of service and compassion continues to touch lives for generations to come.

Born on November 18, 1964, in Wausau, Wisconsin, Russell was a lifelong resident of the Town of Easton and a proud graduate of the D.C. Everest Senior High School. Family was always at the center of his life — his father, Jack, his late mother, Bev, his siblings Barb (Russell) Lambrecht, Sue (John) Christensen, and Tony (Rainie), as well as his nieces and nephew, all shared in his boundless love and humor. He married his wife, Jenny, on June 30, 2001 at St. Florian's Catholic Church in Hatley. Although their time together was short, he was comforted and encouraged through his illness by her love and support.

Professionally, Russell worked as a papermaker at Weyerhaeuser for eight years, serving as vice president of the Papermaker's Union. His leadership extended far beyond the workplace — he was an active member of the Easton-Hewitt-Wausau Lions Club, where he served as president, treasurer, and Eye Bank transporter. His commitment to community youth programs was equally strong through his involvement with the Wisconsin Valley Fair, the Market Animal Sale Committee, 4-H, and FFA, where he held leadership roles and mentored many young people.

Outside of his many commitments, Russell found peace and joy in the outdoors. A passionate hunter, fisherman, and camper, he loved snowmobiling, four-wheeling, and spending time in the woods. His zest for life, service to others, and love for family and community remain an enduring inspiration.

Through this scholarship, Russell's spirit of generosity, leadership, and love for life continues to guide and uplift young people in our community — keeping his memory alive in the hearts of all who follow his example.



## ELIGIBILITY

- Graduating high school senior
- Attending D.C. Everest Senior High School
- Planning to pursue a post-secondary education in an environmental or agriculturally related field of study

## CRITERIA

Applications will be evaluated based on:

- Demonstrating a commitment to the above through their coursework, community involvement, and service or club activities
- Evidence of other circumstances such as family, financial, or personal challenges, which make an applicant more worthy of consideration, may also be considered.

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