

SHARI K. WIDMARK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



FUND BACKSTORY . . .

"Strength and courage aren't always measured in medals and victories. They are measured in struggles we overcome. The strongest people are not always the people who win, but the people who don't give up when they lose."

- Ashley Hodgeson

Shari Widmark was many things – a daughter, a sister, a wife, and a friend. But, perhaps most profoundly, Shari was a mother. Her life was her children – sewing homemade costumes, throwing extravagant birthday parties, watching and encouraging her children while playing sports. She had a fiercely competitive nature and was the self-appointed grammar police.

Even after being diagnosed with cancer, Shari refused to let her illness draw her attention from her children, attending games up until the end of her illness. After eight years of battling cancer, Shari passed away on August 10, 2001.

Shari's family established this fund in December of 2001 to honor Shari and her love of sports and competitiveness.



Shari K. Widmark

ELIGIBILITY

- Graduating high school senior
- Attending Wausau East High School
- Has participated in high school varsity athletics
- Accepted for enrollment in a post-secondary institution of higher education

CRITERIA

Applications will be evaluated based on:

- Has demonstrated the characteristics of a team player, with "spunk," (or passion for the game)
- Quality of references
- Record of extracurricular activities
- Academic achievement and financial need will not be deciding factors in the selection process.