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# SPECIAL BULLETIN

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# THE MTA FOUNDATION SERVES MANY PURPOSES BEYOND JUST SCHOLARSHIPS

Most are aware of the scholarships the Foundation awards each year. It is certainly something our membership should be proud of as we have given out over 500 scholarships to date, but there is so much more the Foundation does in the realm of education and promotion of the trucking industry.

The MTA Foundation works to promote trucking in a positive light in hopes of drawing others into our industry. MTA and the Foundation have a history of supporting efforts that will educate others on the importance of our industry and provide information on what it means to be a part of trucking. The Foundation has been engaged in multiple efforts to support workforce development in Mississippi.

Believing it is never too early to introduce the wonders of trucking to others, we, along with many of our members participate in the annual Touch a Truck event presented by the Junior League of Jackson. Thousands of people, both young and old, come out to experience first-hand the equipment, as well as meet company representatives in the trucking industry. Experts help connect these gigantic vehicles to our Mississippi economy and inspire kids to imagine possible careers in trucking. We encourage our members to support the next Touch a Truck event scheduled for March 2026!

The Foundation is a financial supporter of ATA's *Trucking U* program. This educational initiative offers students the opportunity to explore and learn about the trucking industry

through networking and mentorships. By supporting this program, Mississippi State has been able to send several students through Trucking U which allows these students to become exposed to our industry, and we hope it will lead them towards a career in Mississippi trucking!



Filling the dual role of both public safety education and positive image projection, the Foundation helps support the fight against Human Trafficking by not only contributing to *Truckers Against Trafficking* but also

helping organize training throughout the state for various law enforcement agencies and other industries to help bring information to many others regarding what human trafficking is. MTAF partnered with the Department of Public Safety and the Attorney General's office in the Be the Solution statewide education and awareness campaign, as well as the Secretary of State's office MS Businesses Against Trafficking (MBAT), to empower everyday Mississippians to help rid our State of human trafficking.

Through the generous support of our members for the past many years, your Foundation has grown into an amazing machine for so many good efforts. We hope you find much pride in being associated with such an amazing and positive organization and will continue to support it as we go forward so that we can continue to do good things for and through our industry.



Touch a Truck 2025



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Trucking U at ATA in Nashville



MBAT Panel



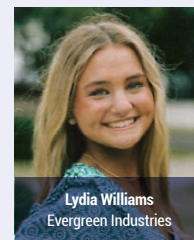
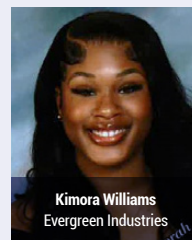
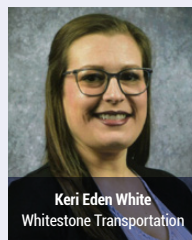
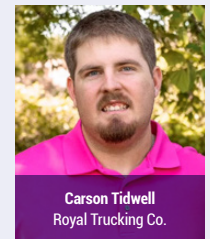
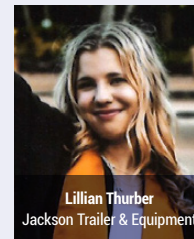
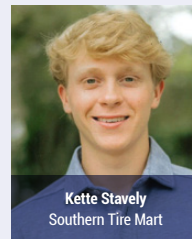
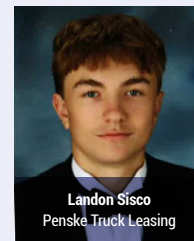
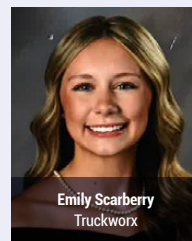
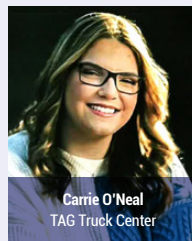
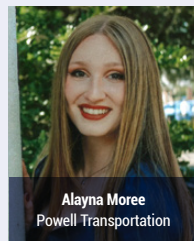
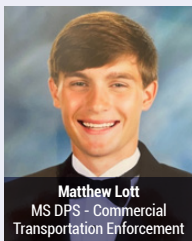
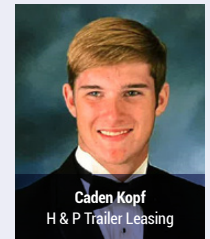
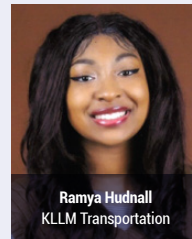
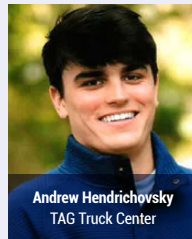
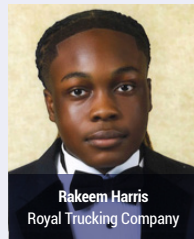
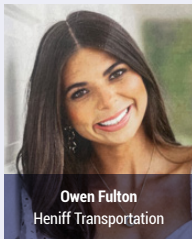
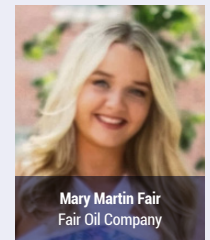
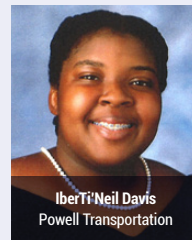
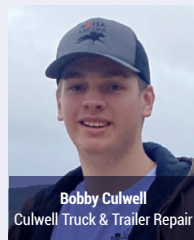
Be the Solution

# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2025-2026 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Over thirty-five years ago, the Mississippi Trucking Association Foundation Scholarship program was created. The primary objective of the Foundation, a 501(c) (3) charitable corporation designed to receive contributions, memorial gifts and property, is to promote educational projects related to the trucking industry and provide scholarships to deserving students who have ties to the trucking industry and are enrolled in scholastic

endeavors in Mississippi. This class joins almost 500 students who have received this scholarship.

Scholarships are offered through the Mississippi Trucking Association Foundation and the following endowments: **Mike McLarty, John Fayard Jr., H. Dean Cotten, G. Larry Kerr, R. Gene Holmes, Vernon G. & Nancy Sawyer, John D. Stomps, and W. Todd Bates.**





# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2025-2026 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Over the past twenty years, eight Endowments have been established by generous MTA members as a way to give back to the trucking industry through the MTAF Scholarship program. An endowment requires \$100,000 to be initiated and it can be custom fit with a bent towards either geographic or occupational classification

as to who gets preference on the scholarship award. Current established Endowment donors are: **Mike McLarty, John Fayard Jr., H. Dean Cotten, G. Larry Kerr, R. Gene Holmes, Vernon G. & Nancy Sawyer, John D. Stomps, and W. Todd Bates.**



**MIKE MCLARTY ENDOWMENT**

Lydia Haynie  
MS DPS - Commercial Transportation Enforcement



**MIKE MCLARTY ENDOWMENT**

Reese Haynie  
MS DPS - Commercial Transportation Enforcement



**JOHN FAYARD JR. ENDOWMENT**

Ruth Matlocks  
Big Level Trucking



**H. DEAN COTTEN ENDOWMENT**

Noah Brand  
UPS



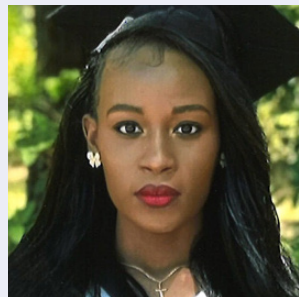
**H. DEAN COTTEN ENDOWMENT**

Kristen Peters  
Walmart Transportation



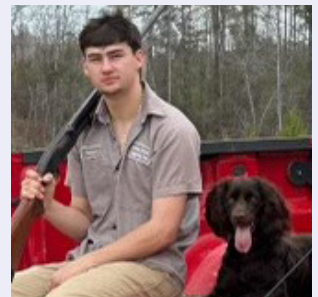
**G. LARRY KERR ENDOWMENT**

Lily Lambert  
Walmart Transportation



**G. LARRY KERR ENDOWMENT**

Laila Riley  
Evergreen Industries



**R. GENE HOLMES ENDOWMENT**

Jameson Smith  
Diesel Mechanic Program, Co-Lin Community College



**VERNON G. & NANCY SAWYER ENDOWMENT**

Alvin Giddens  
Diesel Mechanic Program, Co-Lin Community College



**JOHN D. STOMPS ENDOWMENT**

Dylan White  
Total Transportation of MS



**W. TODD BATES ENDOWMENT**

Kathryn Smith  
Morgan Van Lines





### Thank You, Mr. Chairman 2024-2025!

2025-2026 MTAF Chairwoman, Stormie Janzen, presents Past Chairman, Brian Austin, a plaque in appreciation for his leadership during 2024-2025.



## MISSISSIPPI TRUCKING ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2025-2026

### CHAIRWOMAN

**Stormie Janzen**

Total Transportation of MS  
Richland, MS

### PAST CHAIRMAN

**Brian Austin**

TAG Truck Center  
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### DIRECTORS

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Truckworx –  
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**Taylor Massengill**

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**Katherine Kenney**

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# CENTURY CLUB

Shortly after the Foundation was created, the prestigious Century Club was established to recognize those donors who made a one-time significant contribution to support the activities of the Foundation. Since then, over 95 MTA members have joined the Century Club.

If you would like to be a part of this group, the request is to make an \$10,000 contribution to the Foundation. It can either be a lump sum donation or spread out over a 4-year period. Those new members will be given special recognition at our Annual Convention in June. **If you are interested, please contact Hal or Mary John at 601-354-0616.**



2025 Century Club



## 2025 CENTURY CLUB INDUCTEES

**Mary John Biedenharn**  
Mississippi Trucking Association

**Micah Peagler**  
Total Transportation of MS

# MISSISSIPPI TRUCKING ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION CENTURY CLUB MEMBERS

The MTA Foundation was organized in 1989 and has evolved into one of the most ingenious Foundations of its kind. The Century Club was organized in 1999 and there are currently 98 members of this prestigious organization.

## CLASS OF 1999

**Jim Clunan**  
Ergon Trucking, *Jackson*

**Dean Cotten**  
Mississippi Trucking  
Association, *Jackson*

**John Fayard, Jr.**  
J. Fayard Jr. Moving &  
Warehousing, *Gulfport*

**John Fayard, Sr.**  
J. Fayard Jr. Moving &  
Warehousing, *Gulfport*

**Dan Holliday**  
Carr, Riggs, & Ingram,  
*Ridgeland*

**Jackson Holmes**  
Holmes Company of  
*Jackson Richland*

**Rick Kale**  
Total Transportation of MS  
*Richland*

**G. O. Kerr**  
Shipper's Express, *Jackson*

**Larry Kerr**  
Shipper's Express, *Jackson*

**Jack Liles**  
KLLM, Inc., *Jackson*

**Michael Massengill**  
Big M Transportation  
*Hickory Flat*

**Mike McLarty**  
Cotton Plant Transport,  
*New Albany*

**Billy Milican**  
Royal Trucking Company  
*West Point*

**Hal Miller, Jr.**  
Butler, Snow, *Jackson*

**Hal Miller, III**  
Miller Transporters, *Jackson*

**J.A. Miller**  
Miller Transporters, *Jackson*

**Scott Miller**  
Miller Transporters, *Jackson*

**John Hunter Nance**  
Copeland, Cook, Taylor &  
Bush, *Ridgeland*

**Mark Pace**  
Insurance Solutions Group  
*Jackson*

**Barry Powell**  
Powell Transportation  
*Hattiesburg*

**Jimmy Roberson**  
CMT, Inc., *Tupelo*

**Jackie Rogers**  
Mississippi Fast Freight  
*Pearl*

**Cowboy Threlkeld**  
LMT Trucking, *Batesville*

**Bernard Tucker**  
L.E. Tucker & Son, *Pearl*

**Charles Warne**  
Hewitt, Coleman &  
Associates, *Greenville, SC*

**Bill Watkins**  
Rapid Delivery Service  
*Jackson*

## CLASS OF 2000

**Jerry Culwell**  
CTC, Inc., *Louisville*

**John Goodman**  
H & L Cartage, *Pearl*

**Clifton Van Cleave**  
Buffalo Wood, *Centerville*

## CLASS OF 2001

**Lyndia Phillips**  
Mississippi Fast Freight  
*Pearl*

## CLASS OF 2002

**J. Fayard Moving &  
Warehousing**  
*Gulfport*  
(Endowment)

## CLASS OF 2003

**James Bell**  
Bell and Sons Trucking  
Company, *Aberdeen*

**Steven Evans**  
Charles Evans Trucking  
Company, *Wiggins*

**Edwin Johnson**  
Jowin Express, *Columbia*

**John Minninger**  
JFF Transportation, *Clinton*

## CLASS OF 2004

**Todd Bates**  
J & B Services, *Tupelo*

**Allen Fielder**  
Truck Trailer & Equipment  
*Pearl*

**Gage Gibbs**  
Barksdale Bonding &  
Insurance, *Jackson*

**Nancy Sawyer**  
Holmes Company, *Richland*

## CLASS OF 2005

**Lonnie Cook**  
Empire Truck Sales, *Jackson*

**Tom Duff**  
Southern Tire Mart, *Jackson*

**Steve Morgan**  
Morgan Van Lines  
*Booneville*

**Scott Swanson**  
Empire Truck Sales,  
*Jackson*

## CLASS OF 2006

**Jeff Carter**  
Cadence Insurance  
*Hattiesburg*

**Martin Holmes**  
Holmes Company, *Richland*

**David Allen Lence**  
Diesel Exoress, *Hickory Flat*

**Steve Stokes**  
Cotton Plant Transport  
*New Albany*

**Percy Thornton**  
Southern States Utility  
Trailer Sales, *Jackson*

## CLASS OF 2007

**Jerry Armatiss**  
CCMSI, *Metairie, LA*

**Bill Grothe**  
KLLM Transport Services  
*Jackson*

**Frank Smith**  
Smith Shellnut Wilson  
*Ridgeland*

**Mose Weary**  
M & P Trucking, *Collins*

## CLASS OF 2009

**Julius Miller**  
Forest Products Transport  
*Columbia*

**Mike Thornton**  
Southern States Utility  
Trailer Sales, *Jackson*

# MISSISSIPPI TRUCKING ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION CENTURY CLUB MEMBERS

## CLASS OF 2011

**Payton Lockey**  
Vacuum Truck Rentals  
*Richland*

**Patrick McCabe**  
Evergreen Industries, *Liberty*

**Jim Richards**  
KLLM Transport Services  
*Jackson*

**John Stomps**  
Total Transportation  
*Richland*

## CLASS OF 2015

**David Hall**  
Wilson Elser, *Birmingham*

**Steve Kennedy**  
Wilson Elser, *Jackson*

**Casey Powell**  
Powell Transportation  
*Columbia*

**Craig Savell**  
Total Transportation  
*Richland*

**Courtney Powell Terrell**  
Powell Transportation  
*Columbia*

## CLASS OF 2016

**Brax Clark**  
Rocking C Truck Lines  
*Gulfport*

**Dustin Koehl**  
Total Transportation  
*Richland*

**Russ Maroney**  
Ergon Trucking, *Jackson*

## CLASS OF 2017

**Jessica Williams Downs**  
Jackson Truck & Trailer  
*Jackson*

**Tripp Fayard**  
J. Fayard Moving and  
Warehousing, *Gulfport*

**Don Morrison**  
Perry, Phillips, Crockett  
and Morrison Jackson  
(Posthumously)

**Sonny Williams**  
Jackson Truck & Trailer  
*Jackson*

## CLASS OF 2018

**Douglas Hindman**  
Gulf Relay, *Clinton*

**Steve Puryear**  
Mississippi State University  
*Canton*

## CLASS OF 2019

**Brian Austin**  
TAG Truck Center, *Tupelo*

**Bobby Barlow**  
Ergon Trucking, *Jackson*

**Will Bruser**  
Truckworx, *Birmingham*

**Wes Davis**  
Big M Transportation  
*Blue Mountain*

**Greg McLemore**  
AmFed, *Ridgeland*

**Ty Powell**  
Powell Transportation  
*Columbia*

## CLASS OF 2021

**Sammy Bryant**  
McDonald Trucking  
*Pelahatchie*

**Lisa Massengill**  
Big M Transportation  
*Blue Mountain*

**Whitney M. Stokes**  
Big M Transportation  
*Blue Mountain*

**Chris Stomps**  
Total Transportation  
*Richland*

**Chris Wood**  
KLLM, *Jackson*

## CLASS OF 2022

**Cora Beth Hartfield**  
MS Truck, Food & Fuel SIF  
*Jackson*

**Stormie Janzen**  
Total Transportation  
*Richland*

**Taylor Massengill**  
Big M Transportation  
*Blue Mountain*

**Les Merritt**  
Ergon Trucking, *Jackson*

**Kennedy Miller**  
McGriff Insurance  
*Ridgeland*

## CLASS OF 2023

**Brad Coley**  
Bud Coley Trucking, *Tupelo*

**Carter Holmes**  
Holmes Company, *Richland*

**Michelle Newsom Manor**  
Jim Newsom Trucking  
*Glen Allan*

**Stan Roberts**  
Capital Transport, *Jackson*

**Spencer Thornton**  
Southern States Utility  
Trailer Sales, *Jackson*

**Craig Waddle**  
Waddle Trucking, *Belden*

## CLASS OF 2024

**Angie Kenney**  
Mid South Transportation  
*Tupelo*

**Katherine Kenney**  
Mid South Transportation  
*Tupelo*

## CLASS OF 2025

**Mary John Biedenharn**  
Mississippi Trucking  
Association, *Jackson*

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Total Transportation  
*Richland*



# JOIN US FOR THE 2025 MTAF SKEET FOR SCHOLARSHIPS







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PROVIDENCE HILL FARM  
2600 Carsley Road . Jackson, MS  
Thursday, November 13, 2025

MISSISSIPPI TRUCKING ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION  
SKEET FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Registration and Lunch 11:30 am  
Shotgun Start 1pm  
Cocktails & Appetizers served after Tournament