

## 2021 Jasper Harris, Jr. Aviation Scholarship



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For several years, I have been pursuing my dream of becoming a private pilot. Thanks to the generosity of the Red-Tailed Hawks Flying Club (RTH) organization, on September 3<sup>rd</sup>, I was able to finally achieve this long-standing goal.

RTH's mission at its core is to create a community of members that both find success in their careers and give back to the organization. I believe I am exemplary of this mission because I have served the club and worked to further its objectives. This past summer I helped organize the RTH Aviation Day Camp and participated in several other meetings as well. Over the course of five years, the Red-Tailed Hawks have provided me with a tremendous amount of support. My effort to repay RTH for their investment in me serves as a distillation of what the organization stands for.

Jasper Harris, Jr lived a life of service. As an engineer, a soldier, and a benevolent executive, Harris strived to improve the world around him in multiple domains. Likewise, I will continue to expand my ability to serve. By serving as a RTH pilot and completing my degree in mechanical engineering, I plan to use my skills to make an impact. Through my actions, I hope to carry on the legacy of Mr. Harris and those who shared his aspirations.

