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Lori Underwood Memorial Scholarship

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In October of 2013, Lori Underwood lost her battle with lymphoma after a brave fight. Lori is survived by her husband, Zac Underwood (currently a teacher at Guymon Junior High School) and her sons, Trae (a freshman at OPSU), and Brett (a senior at Boise City High School).

Lori Underwood had served as the Upward Bound Program Facilitator at Oklahoma Panhandle State University for three years before her passing. In an effort to honor Lori's life, the Upward Bound students and Teri Mora initiated a "Lymphing for Lori" 5K and Fun Run at Thompson Park in Guymon, OK. The event was a success and the tradition has continued with the 6th Annual "Lymphing for Lori" memorial event being held last October. The proceeds from these annual events have been accumulating and now have reached the level needed to endow a memorial scholarship in Lori's name through the Panhandle State Foundation. Teri Mora stated, "Lori Underwood was an inspiration to so many of our Upward Bound students and we decided that a 5K in her name would be a great way to honor her memory. I am delighted that due to the generosity of our students and the 5K participants, her love for students will live on through this scholarship."

The Lori Underwood Memorial Scholarship will be open to graduates of a high school in the Oklahoma panhandle with a 2.5 GPA and need will be considered. Preference will be given to Upward Bound students or graduates of high schools in Cimarron County or graduates of Lomega High School. Applicants will be required to attach a letter stating Upward Bound participation and need.