



SCHOLARSHIP IN HONOR OF

LIEUTENANT
EDWARD A. LEVELL, III

U.S. AIR FORCE

Lieutenant Edward A. Levell, III

Lt. Edward A. Levell, III, was born in Jacksonville, Alabama on October 10, 1952. To all of his family and friends, he was affectionately known as “Chico”. The oldest of seven siblings, he was not only a big brother, but also a role model and best friend to everyone.

Chico grew up in a military environment, which meant many years of travel and change. This did not stop him from playing baseball, football and many other sports. He attended high school at the Air Force Academy High School in Colorado Springs, where he was not only a great student but became Captain of the varsity football team in his senior year. After graduating from Air Academy High School, Chico went on to Pueblo, Colorado to attend a junior college. His ultimate goal was to obtain an appointment to the Air Force Academy. Chico’s dream was to pursue a career in the Air Force and to follow in the footsteps of his father who was a well known and respected fighter pilot.

A scholarship eventually provided Chico the opportunity to attend Millard Preparatory School in Bandon, Oregon, where he continued to study long and hard. During graduation, Chico was voted the most popular member of his class. After finishing his year at Millard, Chico finally received his appointment to the United States Air Force Academy.

Although he put a great deal of time and effort into his academic studies, he still managed to be

a member of the “Tiger 10” Cadet Squadron football and boxing teams. The next four years were to be the toughest, but he recognized early on that this was the next step required to achieve his ultimate goal.

Between his sophomore and junior years he was one of a group sent to Fort Benning, Georgia, where he was successful in completing Jump School and receiving his Parachute Jump Wings.

Chico graduated from the Air Force Academy on June 2, 1976, with his first assignment to pilot training at Craig, AFB in Selma, Alabama. After successfully completing the one year pilot training program, he was off to Holloman AFB, New Mexico, for Pre-Fighter training. Chico continued his career with an assignment to Luke AFB in Phoenix, Arizona, to complete his advanced training to become a fully qualified Tactical Fighter Pilot.

His last assignment was to Nellis AFB in Las Vegas, Nevada, with the 474th Tactical Fighter Wing’s 428th Tactical Fighter Squadron. There he and his wife, Rhonda, settled to make a new home. On April 11, 1979, Chico and his weapons system officer were killed in an F-4 fighter aircraft accident during a routine night training flight. Chico is missed terribly by all of his loved ones, but his spirit and memory continue to live on within us all.

Dear Gen. Bellis:

I think all of us who were associated with Chico Levell at Millard School will always feel that he enriched our lives. He is a bright memory.

It is a privilege to offer this scholarship in his name.

Esther L. Millard

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