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Ronald Gill Scholarship Essay

When I began volunteering for the Ronald Gill foundation at the beginning of last year I was not sure what I was getting into, but it did not take me long to realize that this was more than a foundation, it is a group of people trying their hardest to keep the memory of an incredible young man alive. While everyone in the foundation is working towards raising money for the scholarship program I noticed they never lost sight of what was really about, keeping the memory of Ronnie alive.

While I scrolled through the website dedicated to Ronnie I learned more information about his life, family, and dedication to the country that he served and eventually gave his life for. When I think of a hero I think of someone who gives up their life and goes to dedicate their time to something else where they are needed. I also think of people that put their lives on the line for the sake of others well being. All of these qualities describe the life that Ronnie lived so well.

I try to live my life as a dedicated person who remains strong to upholding my responsibilities. I always thought that I was dedicated to all my commitments and gave up other responsibilities to excel at these things. When I read about Ronnie I realized that compared to Ronnie's accomplishments my dedication was nothing. This young man put everything he loved on the line including his family, friends, and wife. I would never have the strength or courage to do this and for that I look up to Ronnie.

I look up to Ronnie as more than a man who served this country. I see a young man who had a whole life ahead of him and gave up this opportunity to serve for something that he truly believed in.