



**The Friends
of the
Gordon-Lee Mansion**

Barbara W. Littleton Memorial Scholarship

2026-2027

In January 2024, the Friends of the Gordon-Lee Mansion lost a beloved member, Mrs. Barbara Littleton. Mrs. Littleton was an invaluable fixture in the Chickamauga City Schools as an elementary school teacher since 1971. In her retirement, she joined the Friends organization where she developed a program to bring Chickamauga Elementary fourth graders on an historic tour of the City cemetery, Crawfish Springs and the Gordon-Lee Mansion. Her intent was to introduce young students to the wealth of local history and imbue them with an appreciation for it.

The Friends of the Gordon-Lee Mansion wish to honor her commitment to our organization. Mrs. Littleton created a sense of warmth and welcome for visitors to the Mansion, whether they came from far or near. She regaled them with stories about the Gordon and Lee families as well as the events that the Mansion has stood in testament.

This summer, the Barbara W. Littleton Memorial Scholarship was created to award \$1,000 to a deserving Gordon-Lee Memorial High School student to help defray the cost of either a vocational school or college. It is our hope that the student will continue to be a lifelong learner with a love of history, just as Mrs. Littleton would wish.

Application Process
Friends of Gordon-Lee Mansion
Barbara W. Littleton Memorial Scholarship

- 1) Complete the application to the best of your ability and return to Ms. King by October 23, 2026.

You may also apply online through the Friends' website—
<http://www.friendsofthegordonleemansion.org>

- 2) Fulfill the volunteer service hours for the Friends of the Gordon-Lee Mansion.

Sixteen volunteer hours are required. These might be assisting with tours when the house is open, research on the house, grounds or its people, weeding the garden or another project proposed by the student and okayed by the Friends' scholarship coordinator.

Attached are a list of dates beginning in June 2026 of times when the Mansion will be open. Those dates can be used for service hours. Members of the Friends group will be there and your hours will be recorded.

Contact scholarship coordinator, Holly Cahill, at 256-404-3957 by phone, text or email (hollybrockcahill@gmail.com) ideas of how you might contribute to the Mansion/ Friends with your volunteer hours.

Service hours must be completed by April 9,2027.

- 3) Submit an essay of no less than 500 words. This year's topic is the importance of honoring and preserving of local history. The submission can be made electronically to hollybrockcahill@gmail.com

Submission deadline is February 18, 2027.

- 4) Interview—-a short interview of each applicant will be held on date to be determined. The interviewers will be a committee of Friends and community members.

The scholarship will be presented on Awards Night 2027.

Return only the scholarship application. Keep the rest of the packet for information and dates.

Friends of the Gordon-Lee Mansion

Barbara W. Littleton Memorial Scholarship Application Form 2026-2027

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Home Address: _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____

Cumulative GPA _____

List extracurricular activities—sports, clubs, organizations (use an extra page, if necessary)

List your community service or volunteer work

List any awards or honors you have received

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Academic Reference with contact information

Personal Reference with contact information

Applicant's Declaration

I do hereby declare that the information provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false information may result in the disqualification of my application.

Signature and date

Return the application form only to the Guidance Counselor or submit electronically on or before Wednesday, October 23, 2026

Opportunities for Scholarship Hours 2026-2027

(all at the Mansion)

May 16th (Sat) – Down Home Days – 10:00AM-4:00PM

May 17th (Sun) – Train – 11:30 AM- 2:00 PM

May 24th(Sun) – Train – 11:30AM-2:00PM

May 30th(Sat) – First Regular Tour Day – 10:30AM – 3:00 PM

June 6th (Sat) – Tour Day – 10:30AM – 3:00PM

June 7th (Sun) – Train – 11:30AM – 2:00 PM

June 13th (Sat) – Tour Day/Train – 10:30 AM – 3:00 PM

June 14th (Sun) – Train – 11:30 AM – 2:00 PM

June 20th(Sat) – Tour – 10:30 AM – 3:00 PM

June 21st (Sun) – Tour Day – 10:30 AM – 3:00 PM

June 27th(Sat) – Tour – 10:30 – 3:00 PM

July 4th(Sat) – Tour – 10:30 AM – 3:00 PM

July 11th (Sat) – Tour Day – 10:30AM – 3:00 PM

July 18th (Sat) – Tour Day – 10:30 AM – 3:00PM

July 25th (Sat) – Tour Day – 10:30 AM – 3:00 PM

August 1st(Sat) – Tour Day – 10:30 AM – 3:00 PM

August 8th (Sat) – Tour Day – 10:30 AM – 3:00 PM

August 15th (Sat) – Tour Day – 10:30 AM – 3:00 PM

August 22nd (Sat) – Tour Day – 10:30 AM – 3:00 PM

August 29th (Sat) – Tour – 10:30 AM – 2:00 PM

September 19th (Sat) – Blue-Gray Barbecue/Quilt Show/Tours – 10:00 AM – 4:00P

Tour Day indicates when the Mansion is open for people to tour. Train indicates when a train from the Tennessee Valley Railroad Museum comes to Chickamauga and passengers can tour the house. Occasionally both happen on the same day or on the day of a special event like Down Home Days.