Since the University’s founding in 1889, Clemson alumni have served and led in each of our nation’s conflicts. From the Spanish–American war through the Vietnam conflict to current wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, more than 10,000 alumni have served the armed forces and 489 of our alumni have been killed in service. The Scroll of Honor memorial on campus honors those alumni who made the ultimate sacrifice.

Today, we face new challenges around the world that call for strong, well-educated and well-prepared military leaders. Clemson’s ROTC programs are diligently preparing a new generation of leaders to serve our nation and defend it from a new generation of threats of an increasingly dangerous world.

The Class of 1968 honors those who serve with a gift to support future leaders.

The Class of 1968 has designated its Golden Anniversary gift to a ROTC scholarship endowment to provide scholarships to outstanding young men and women who will carry on the tradition of service that has marked Clemson’s history. Together, we can make a difference that will allow both the Army and Air Force ROTC detachments to enhance their recruiting and retention of student-cadets, and enable them to achieve their commissioning goals and garner national recognition.

Whether our scholarships support cadets who will make their careers in military service or those who seek leadership training applicable to any endeavor, the support these scholarships provide makes a positive difference in students’ lives.
“Thanks to my scholarship, I am able to attend Clemson University. As an out-of-state student, I am very grateful and honored that I was able to accept this scholarship. I am now able to take control of my future and become an Army officer. After I graduate, I hope I can give back to the Clemson community as much as they have given me.

— Preksha Jayamaruthyraman

“All my life I have wanted to do two things: attend Clemson and join the military. Unfortunately, not living in South Carolina made it very difficult to make Clemson affordable. Because of my interest in ROTC and the Air Force, however, my scholarship made both my dreams possible simultaneously. I would not trade my experience at Clemson for any other circumstance; from Clemson football to the friends I’ve made in ROTC and around campus, every aspect of my life at Clemson has impacted me positively, and I look forward to the rest of my education.”

— Philip M. Gibson

The Clemson Class of 1968 supports the University’s heritage of military excellence and leadership. You can help ensure that Clemson men and women will remain ready to contribute and serve our nation by supporting the Class of 1968 Golden Anniversary ROTC Scholarship Endowment.

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