"The Medal of Honor is not mine;

I hold it in trust for so many young people who didn't become grandfathers."

George O'Brien, Jr.

October 27, 2018, was the 65th anniversary of George H. O'Brien, Jr., being awarded the **Congressional Medal of Honor** he earned while serving as a U.S. Marine Corps Second Lieutenant during the Korean War. O'Brien, a long time Midland resident and geologist, was also Texas Tech's only graduate to receive the nation's most significant military medal for valor. We are committed to honoring and remembering this West Texas war hero who received the medal from President D.D. Eisenhower on October 27, 1953.

After being in the Texas Tech class of 1950, he was inducted into the Marines where he became an infantry combat platoon commander and fought in one of the fiercest battles of the Korean War called The Hook. After his service in the Marines, he was always known as being a humble man and his actions have inspired others.

In order to forever remember one of Tech's greatest alumni, and "to take care of his Marines," a scholarship fund was created on March 4, 2006. It was founded by Texas Tech alumni and Marine Vietnam veterans Doug Jacobsen, Jerry Tate, Tony Rogers, and David Wright. It is designed to assist students at Texas Tech University that are United States Marines (current or former) and the children and grandchildren of Marines. It is an endowed partial scholarship administered by the **Texas Tech Alumni Association**. As the total of the fund increases with ongoing contributions, the amount of the scholarship award also increases. The principal of the fund is not reduced, thereby allowing for a perpetual scholarship to honor George H. O'Brien and assist our United States Marines.

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