

# James 'Jamie' Oliveri Memorial Scholarship

Jamie Oliveri was a 1984 graduate of Wyoming Area High School. Before his death at age 37, he lived an amazing life, full of travel, learning and a passion for following his dreams.



Because Jamie was motivated to be successful, he pursued his profession with passion and tenacity. After being accepted and attending Penn State Altoona for one year, he convinced his parents Ruth and James that he needed to study in New York. He applied and was accepted at Parsons School of Design, advanced his studies in Paris and graduated in 1989. In constant pursuit of innovative ideas and a desire for knowledge, he furthered his education with classes at Princeton University and also obtained a graduate degree from Yale University.

Although Jamie expected the best, he also gave his best. He was a gifted graphic designer employed by several companies including The New York Times, Banana Republic, Landor & MGM in NY and CA metropolitan areas. He was also co-owner of Wen Oliveri (San Francisco). He shared his experience by educating students while living in California and Hawaii.



Jamie was very charismatic and would melt your heart with his smile. He was ahead of his time with ideas and tastes, loved travel and encouraged his parents to travel with him in the United States and abroad. He had a keen interest in architecture and visited many churches and museums throughout Europe. Jamie believed in living life to the fullest. He saw beauty in the unusual, was creative, loved the arts, culture, music, good food, nature and animals. He was an avid reader and his book collection was donated to the Parsons School of Design, where he would be happy to know others with his creative spirit could benefit.



This scholarship is in honor of all that Jamie embodied: *education, creativity and the courage to follow your dreams.*

The applicant must be a Wyoming Area Graduating Senior who has been accepted to a 2 or 4 year college or university, or a legitimate non degree Professional School for the Arts. Preference will be given to those pursuing degrees in Graphic Design (online and multimedia applications, interactive design, typography, page layout, product design, publishing applications and advertising), Fine Arts (sculpture, painting, drawing, and photography), Architecture, or an Arts related field. Preference will also be given to an applicant who has personal characteristics and traits similar to Jamie.

**Required Essay:** Each applicant must submit a solid essay of at least of 500 words explaining why you think you deserve this scholarship, what are your future goals and ambitions, what interests you about this field and what attributes you share with Jamie.

The James "Jamie" Oliveri Memorial Scholarship committee will select the recipient for this award.