



## **K.A.P.P.A. Foundation**

**Knoxville Area Programs and Partnerships for Achievement**  
*African American Men Committed to Achievement, Public Service and Excellence*

### **GAIL DAVIS RUSSELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Gail D. Russell was a graduate of West Virginia State College. As a graduate of West Virginia State College with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and a Master of Arts in Education from Virginia Polytechnic Institute, she was a stalwart to education. In 2007, Ms. Russell was awarded participation in the Maxine Smith Fellowship offered by the Tennessee Board of Regents. The “Leaders” program, as it was called, is a year-long national program sponsored by National Institute for Leadership Development that provides leadership training for women. She was specifically tasked with expanding the use of technology in Co-op Education and Placement at a time where technology dependency was still in its infancy.

She was a member of Oak Ridge Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated. She was initiated into the sorority in the Beta Pi Chapter at Bluefield State. As an active member of the Oak Ridge Alumnae Chapter, she served as the Technology Committee Chair and on the HBCU Expo committee. Gail Russell was affiliated with the Silhouettes of Kappa Alpha Psi fifty plus years. The Silhouettes are the Wives and Widows of men of Kappa Alpha Psi. She was married to John P. Russell, Jr. 20<sup>th</sup> Past South Central Province Polemarch fifty plus years. During his tenure, she served two terms as First Lady of the South Central Province. She also served as President of the Knoxville Alumni Chapter of Silhouettes.

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

- Must have a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.00 scale (No Rounding Up of GPA)
- Must be a female who is graduating from a Knoxville Area (Knox, Anderson or Blount County) High School

#### **Eligibility Requirements**

- Must submit an official high school transcript
- Must submit one letter of reference from (Teacher, Principal, Counselor, etc.)
- Must be willing to participate in a virtual interview with members of the Scholarship Committee
- Must be Majoring in Science Technology Engineering Mathematics (STEM).
- Must be a college freshman accepted to an accredited two or four year college or university entering the 2025-2026 School year

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### **General Information and Instructions**

- One Time Scholarship Amount: \$500.00
- The scholarship check will be rewarded after the recipient has provided proof of registration at the designated College or University
- **All applications must be typed. Failure to do so will eliminate your application from consideration**
- **Applications must be received at the address below by February 28, 2025**
- You can use Microsoft Word Electronic editable copy of application download from the following website; <https://www.knoxvillekappas.org/gail-davis-russell> Please contact Eric Lattimore at 865.680.9847 or or email at [eric.lattimore@yahoo.com](mailto:eric.lattimore@yahoo.com) if you have questions.

## **GAIL DAVIS RUSSELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

High School You Attend: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Clubs, Honors and Awards:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Can you list any special talents (singing, public speaking, etc.)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Current ACT Score: \_\_\_\_\_ Current SAT Score: \_\_\_\_\_

College(s) you plan to attend or have been accepted to:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you declared a major, if so what will be your major: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied for the Pell Grant: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be the 1<sup>st</sup> in your family to get a college degree: \_\_\_\_\_

In your household will anyone else be attending college the same time you will be: \_\_\_\_\_

Community Involvement outside of high school:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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### **GAIL DAVIS RUSSELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(city)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(state)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(zip code)

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
(month / date / year)

**WHAT IS THE IMPORTANCE OF A COLLEGE EDUCATION TO ME AND HOW  
WILL I USE IT TO BRING OUT CHANGE IN MYSELF AND MY COMMUNITY?**  
(The target length of the essay should be 500 Words Minimum)

I contest that all the above information is liable and true. Please sign and print your name:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Please print your name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Please print your name

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