



The Kenny Huffman Tennis Classic

Mission Statement

The mission of the Kenneth Huffman Memorial Tennis Foundation, Inc., is to generate funds through promotion of the annual Kenny Huffman Tennis Classic tournament, with all funds then being utilized to advance the expansion of tennis at all levels of play in Eastern Kentucky; to award an annual scholarship in memory of Kenny Huffman to a deserving junior player in the 14th, 15th or 16th high school regions of Kentucky to assist him or her in securing a college education; and to encourage health/fitness, friendship, sportsmanship, and a robust family environment within our community.

Tournament Overview

Kenneth Warren Huffman (1944 – 1973) was born in Pikeville, KY. He was a graduate of Pikeville High School and Pikeville College. Kenny played tennis from age sixteen to the age of twenty-eight when he became terminally ill with cancer. He was a member of the Pikeville College Tennis Team and was one of Pikeville’s best tennis players – winning every tournament he entered. His enthusiasm for tennis was contagious. In 1973, following his death, Pikeville College renamed their tennis courts “The Kenneth Warren Huffman Memorial Tennis Courts” in Kenny’s honor due to his influence on tennis in the area. Also, Sue Huffman, Kenny’s wife, established a tennis endowment scholarship named in her husband’s honor. She also started a tournament in Kenny’s name that became an annual memorial classic tournament, this being the 50rd year. The tournament and scholarships are made possible through memberships, donations, and entry fees, and is managed by a committee of twelve members.

The 2023 – 2024 winners of the Huffman Scholarship were Chloe Sykes and Jayden Mullins.

The Kenny Huffman Tennis Classic Tournament for 2024 will take place July 26-28. It will take place at Bob Amos Park in Pikeville, KY. For more information, please visit our website at www.kenhuffclass.org. You may also call Jim Vanover at 606-794-4161 or Freddie Napier at 606-213-6775 or Sue Huffman Stanley at 404-483-6051.