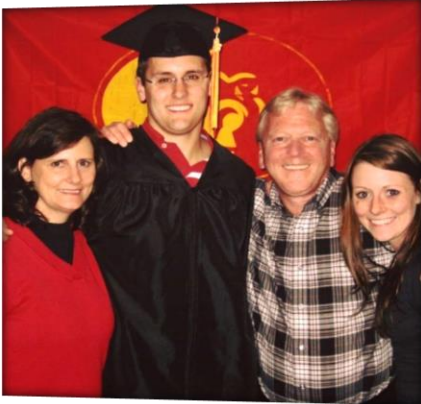


## Matthew Nutter Memorial Scholarship



*Matthew Nutter*

This scholarship was created in memory of Matthew Nutter, son of David and Ann Nutter. His sister, Meghan was also instrumental in establishing this scholarship. Matthew Nutter was born in July 1987 and was a completely normal boy until the day he was diagnosed with a brain tumor and underwent his first brain surgery at the age of 11. He endured multiple brain surgeries but went on to graduate from Pittsburg State University in 2014 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Recreation and an emphasis in Therapeutic Recreation. He was the first Pittsburg State student to intern at Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital in Lincoln, NE, the first Pittsburg State graduate to pass the CTRS test on the first attempt, the first CTRS in a long-term care facility in the state of Kansas, and the first CTRS to start a Music and Memory program in a long-term care facility. He received a grant from The Eden Alternative Program which strives to improve the quality of living for memory care facility residents. First in extended family to Donate Life in January 2017. This scholarship was created so that Matt's drive and compassion could be carried on by future Pittsburg State Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialists.

### **Requirements:**

Major:

- TB\*04 Recreation Therapeutic Recreation

### **Special Requirements:**

Recipient shall be a student majoring in recreational therapy.