Steve Abla was born September 7, 1951 in Vancouver, Washington. The son of Rev. and Mrs. Lawrence Abla, he was reared in a Nazarene parsonage and lived in Idaho, Texas, Kansas, Oregon and California.

Steve was a vibrant young man who loved life and his Lord. He was well-known and very popular among the teens of the Dallas District, as well as the student body of North Dallas High School. Just prior to his death he had been elected to serve as Student Body President the following year. Tragically, his young life came to an end on May 19, 1968, when he was killed in a private plane crash just outside of Dallas, Texas.

One of Steve’s ambitions was to attend a Nazarene college and major in physics. He then planned to teach at Japan Christian Junior College. It is the hope of Steve’s family that the scholarship in his memory will enable other young people to carry the message of the church he loved and the God he served to those who have not heard.

Criteria for awarding of scholarship

1. Continuing students may apply by using the Department Scholarship Application.
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