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Scholarship in Memory of Michael P. Daly Awarded to Brianna Cabrera, Rosveli Morel, and Nicholas Oelcher

This year, the Scholarship in memory of Michael P. Daly has been awarded to three hard-working students: **Brianna Cabrera**, who is studying Early Childhood Education with a concentration in English, **Rosveli Morel** who is enrolled in the College's Biology program, and **Nicholas Oelcher**, who is majoring in Finance.



After graduating from John Jay School for Law High School in Brooklyn, NY, **Brianna** found an immediate connection to St. Thomas Aquinas. She chose to attend the College after learning about all of the opportunities the campus has to offer: "I enjoy meeting and connecting to new people on campus, and am thankful for the variety of courses offered." Studying Early Childhood Education, Brianna looks forward to learning more in the classroom so she can apply those lessons with her own students in the future.



Rosveli, a graduate of Juan Morel Campos Secondary School in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, studies Biology and has found her fit at the College. "Students can create great bonds with the employees and faculty on campus and interact each semester." Rosveli has felt a greater sense of independence on campus, noting it is "important to maintain responsibility for yourself and your studies."



Nicholas, a graduate of Sachem High School East in Farmingville, Long Island, knew that St. Thomas Aquinas College was the right fit for him: "My experience has been great. The people are supportive and playing baseball here has been a ton of fun. All of my professors are wonderful and set students up for success, giving all of the tools necessary to succeed on campus." Nicholas is thriving and has enjoyed learning new coursework, and notes, "Work hard and good things will happen for you."

President Daly established the Scholarship fund in memory of his father, Michael P. Daly, who passed away on April 7, 2022, after living a wonderful life of hard work, service to his country, and, most importantly, care for his family. We have raised over \$700,000—including President Daly's match—and the funds raised will help make a difference in the lives of vulnerable students who deserve a high-quality educational experience. We are proud to present Brianna, Rosveli, and Nicholas with this \$30,000 Scholarship over 4 years and provide support along with the gift of education as they each begin their journey towards fulfilling careers.

Learn more about the Michael P. Daly Scholarship and discover how you can make a difference in the lives of Spartans like Brianna, Rosveli, and Nicholas at **stac.edu/MPD-scholarship**



U.S. Navy Veteran Michael P. Daly with President Daly's 4 children