

## Baine Paul Smith '12 Memorial Endowed Scholarship

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**Established in 2022 by Trey Smith and Lorn Smith**

Trey Smith, class of 82, graduated from Texas A&M University with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration. Now, he is the founder and sole owner of Focus Commercial Real



Estate, which primarily engages in the development and ownership of multitenant retail developments and convenience stores.

Trey, along with his son, Lorn Smith, class of 2011, recently established the Baine Paul Smith Memorial Endowed Scholarship in honor of his late son, Baine, class of 2012, who passed away in January 2022. Trey describes Baine as witty, fun-loving and, most of all, the most caring person anyone could meet. From an early age, he showed interest in all things outdoors, from fishing and hunting to boating and flying.

After initially attending Texas A&M University's main campus, Baine transferred to the Ohio State University, before finding his home at Texas A&M-Galveston. During his time in Galveston, Baine created lifelong friendships and had many extraordinary memories with his professor, Tom Fitzhugh, who he traveled to California and London with.

Trey and Lorn's gift establishes an endowed scholarship supporting Galveston students pursuing a degree in either maritime business administration or marine transportation. They hope the gift will honor Baine's memory while minimizing the financial barriers of attending the university.

