

## Paul Heaven Memorial Foundation Excellence Award

Established in 2021 by Madelaine G. Heaven and Allen R. Vorholt

The Paul Heaven Memorial Foundation Excellence Award supports a full-time graduate student pursuing a degree in the Department of Marine Biology at Texas A&M University at Galveston. Paul's daughter, Madeleine Heaven '18, and her husband, LTJG Allen Vorholt '18, established the scholarship to honor his memory.



According to Maddie, Paul was the kind of person who lived a life that sounds more like a novel. After obtaining a bachelor's degree in the United Kingdom, he explored his love for travel and adventure. In his late 30s, he became a father to Maddie and her siblings, instilling within them the same curiosity and knowledge that he possessed. Maddie hopes that this scholarship will allow new generations of students to explore the same wide-eyed wonder that her father felt.

Maddie obtained two bachelor's degrees from Texas A&M-Galveston in 2018—one in marine biology and another in marine fisheries. Allen received a bachelor's degree in marine engineering technology. The couple married in 2018 and now reside in Ketchikan, Alaska.

