



The AMA History Project Presents: Biography of MATTHEW R. NUFFORT



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Matthew R. Nuffort from Lititz, Pennsylvania has received \$2,500 towards his higher education. His choice of university has not been made at this time, but his goal is to achieve a degree in Aerospace Engineering. He will be at Warwick high School in his hometown until graduation in June 1994.

Matthew has served on the Student Council for three years while holding office in his class as Vice President (sophomore year) and President (junior year). He has just been selected as a member of the National Honor Society.

In sports: Matthew is a competitive swimmer with letters won in all three high school years. As a member of the United States Swimming Club (USSC) he has won many awards for such activities as being a state qualifier when a freshman; helping set six high school team records; Central Penn State All Star for two years; and a member of the All-State Team (top six) as a sophomore and junior. Matthew was Junior Olympic Champion in 1992, Eastern Zone All-Star in the same year, and a Junior National Qualifier in 1993.

Civic involvement as vice-president of the Lititz Community Center Junior Board has him raising money for equipment of the Center. He also finds time to work at Lancaster Airport where he has charge of ground and building maintenance for Summit Aviation. In addition, he has been a lifeguard at the Woodridge Swim Club.

Matthew and his father became interested in aeromodeling in 1989, and they joined the Lancaster Radio Control Club together. Starting with a Sig *Kadet Mark II*, they went on to build and fly a variety of models including a Goldberg *Electra*, Great Planes *Spectra*, Sig *4-Star*, Goldberg *Sky Tiger*, and an *Extra 300*. Almost an "all-season flier," Matt has rarely missed getting an airplane into the air every month of the year.

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