

Zamarripa Family Endowed Scholarship

Established in 2022 by Joel '99 and Julie '01 Zamarripa

Through a planned gift that will take effect after their lifetimes, Julie, class of 01, and Joel, class of 99, Zamarripa created the Zamarripa Family Endowed Scholarship to support Texas A&M-Galveston students with financial need from the Rio Grande Valley, Harris County, or Galveston County. The scholarship reflects Julie's hometown roots in Texas City and Joel's in Pharr (Between McAllen and San Juan, Texas) as well as the couple's desire to help students receive an education and flourish in their careers post-graduation like they have.

Julie graduated from Texas A&M-Galveston with a bachelor's degree in maritime administration, while Joel received a bachelor's degree in industrial distribution from the main campus. Their shared Aggie backgrounds brought the couple together while country dancing in 2002—Julie noticed Joel's Aggie ring and struck up a conversation. (and the rest is history)

Today, Julie works in the maritime industry at Phillips 66 while Joel is the founder and owner of the JZ Insurance Company—

Allstate, which he has grown into one of the top insurance agencies in the Houston area.

