

*In Memoriam of CDR
S. Carr Kratovil
VAW/VRC Merit
Scholar*

Merrick Kibler

Leonardtown, MD

Leonardtown High School

University of Pittsburgh

Major: Economics

Activities:

- ❖ Varsity Lacrosse, Captain
- ❖ Ice Hockey Team
- ❖ Model United Nations
- ❖ Ski Club
- ❖ Volunteer: Breton Bay Plunge, St. Mary's Caring-serving meals
- ❖ Summer Employment: Avenmar Community Pool Operator/
Lifeguard, Breton Bay Pool Lifeguard
- ❖ Year-Round Employment: Breton Bay Golf Course-Assistant



My college search was extensive, and I am confident that I have found the right school for me at the University of Pittsburgh. As an out of state student, the cost of attendance is high. This \$5,000 scholarship really helps make this burden a little lighter. The significance of the award coming from an organization that supports the E-2/C-2 community means even more now. My father's time as an E-2 pilot not only shaped him but has forever impacted me in a positive way. I was born in Japan while he was flying E-2's in VAW-115. I lived in Pittsburgh while my father was ROTC instructor at Carnegie Mellon. My grandfather and great grandfather are veterans and their sacrifices have not been lost on me. Their time in the service has shaped my views of the world and my complete respect and admiration for veterans. I am grateful for the opportunity this scholarship provided and to the VAW/VRC Merit Scholarship Program.