

## Benjamin Harms Leonardtown, MD

Sponsor: CDR Kevin Harms

College: Texas A&M University Scholarships

2023-2024: Sophomore

Major: Mechanical Engineering

Academic & Extracurricular Highlights:

- Professional Brotherhood of Engineers
- BIG Event Group Leader
- Honors Engineering Program
- Internship Program: Naval Research Enterprise
- Intern: Aircraft Mechanical Instrumentation



As the son of a naval aviator who put his life on the line in the service of our country, I am incredibly blessed to even be eligible for a Wings Over America Scholarship. It is difficult to express my gratitude for being selected. Not only does the scholarship open doors, by reducing the financial burden that comes with a college education but gives me a sense of pride and responsibility to be able to represent the naval aviation community. Moving around as a kid, as my dad got stationed across the country, was not something that I was very fond of at the time, but it was an insignificant sacrifice in comparison to what the naval aviation community does every day. It is more than an inspiration and honor to be selected by a group that I admire so much. The naval aviation community has been a second family to me, and knowing that they will continue to watch over me as I represent WOASF gives me an even greater desire to work hard and to be a good person. I look forward to giving my all at Texas A&M, in my career after college, and in giving back to a community that has done so much for my family and me.