



## COUNTY OF AMHERST

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#### Roger Lee Floyd Memorial Bridge Dedication

This Sunday November 12<sup>th</sup> will be the 52<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of Roger Lee Floyd's death who is a Veteran and a former resident of Amherst County. In honor of his sacrifice for our Country, there will be a Memorial Bridge Dedication for Roger Lee Floyd this Sunday at 2 pm.

Roger Lee Floyd was born and raised on his family farm in Amherst County. While serving our Country in the United States Army, Private First Class Roger Lee Floyd, First Infantry Division, fell in battle in Vietnam on November 12, 1965. For his demonstrated heroism in ground combat on that day, PFC Floyd was awarded the Purple Heart and a Bronze Star Medal. The First Infantry Division awarded the Certificate of Recognition to PFC Floyd to commemorate his display of courage, valor, and devotion to duty in combat service, without regard for the sacrifices and hardships endured. He was also awarded a Certificate of Honorable Service as a mark of this country's deep and respectful estimation of his faithful service to the United States of America.

On January 17, 2017, the Amherst County Board of Supervisors, wishing to honor its native son with an enduring symbol of their deep affection for him and their abiding regard for his service, passed a resolution requesting the bridge located on Route 643, Wagon Trail Road, over Horsley Creek, be named the "Roger Lee Floyd Memorial Bridge."

If you would like to attend this bridge dedication, the ceremony will start at St. Luke's Episcopal Church Sunday at 2 pm and there will be a shuttle bus to take everyone from the Church to the bridge. Additional information may be obtained from Layney Sandifer at [lesandifer@countyofamherst.com](mailto:lesandifer@countyofamherst.com) or (434)-946-9400.