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On November 26, 2019, South Dakota launched the Fallen Heroes Bridge Dedication Program. The program dedicates state bridges to South Dakota heroes who died while in active service, were a prisoner of war or were missing in action.

The eastbound Big Sioux River Bridge on US HWY 14 is dedicated to U.S. Army Corporal Kenneth L. DeGroot.

DeGroot, was a member of the 77th Field Artillery Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division and was killed in action while fighting the enemy in North Korea on September 7, 1951.

For his service...and sacrifice...DeGroot received many medals and citations. Among them...the Purple Heart, the Korean War Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal and the World War II Victory Medal.

