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**South Dakota Bridge to be Dedicated in Honor of United States Marine Corps  
Private First-Class Randolph S. Hutchinson**

**Sioux Falls, SD** – The South Dakota Department of Veterans Affairs (SDDVA) will host a Fallen Hero Bridge Dedication to honor United States Marine Corps Private First-Class Randolph S. Hutchinson.

The ceremony will be on Friday, August 21, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. (MT) at the Wakpala School (12250 SD HWY 1806) in Wakpala.

This dedication is part of a statewide initiative established during the Noem-Rhoden Administration and expanded under Governor Rhoden. In partnership with the South Dakota Departments of Veterans Affairs, Military, and Transportation, the program establishes enduring tributes that honor service and serve as a lasting reminder to future generations.

The SD HWY 1806 bridge over the Oak Creek, south of Wakpala, will be dedicated as the PFC Randolph S. Hutchinson bridge.

PFC Hutchinson served with honor and distinction, and this dedication will ensure their legacy continues to inspire all who travel this roadway. SDDVA invites the public to attend and recognize this hero's sacrifice and service to our nation.