

U.S. ARMY
PRIVATE FIRST
CLASS
JOHN TUIN

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ESTELLINE, SD



- 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 SD 28 Bridge over the Big Sioux River, west of Estelline, is dedicated to U.S. Army Private First Class John Tuin.

- Tuin was reported missing in action October 6, 1952, while fighting the enemy in Korea. Tuin's remains are still unaccounted for.

- For his service and sacrifice, Tuin received many medals and citations. Among them were the Purple Heart, the Korean Service Medal, and the National Defense Service Medal.

