PVT RICHARD BERTRAM

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COLOME, 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 South Dakota HWY 183 Bridge, which spans the Keya Paha River, is dedicated to PVT Richard Bertram of Colome. He was killed in action on Okinawa Island in Japan in 1945 while serving with Company C, 382nd Infantry.

Awards/Ribbons Bertram Received:
- Bronze Star
- Purple Heart
- Combat Infantryman Badge
- World War II Victory Medal
- Marksmanship Badge
- American Campaign Medal
- Army Presidential Unit Citation
- Army Good Conduct Medal
- Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal
And numerous other awards and decorations