PVT DALE CROW

JUNE 1, 2021

LEMMON, SD

NOTE: THIS BRIDGE WAS SELECTED IN 2020 AND WAS TO BE DEDICATED IN 2020, DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC THE BRIDGE WAS NOT DEDICATED UNTIL 2021 AT THE WISHES OF THE FAMILY.
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 Highway 73 Bridge near Summerville, is dedicated to PVTs Dale and David Crow, of Lemmon. Dale distinguished himself on September 6, 1950, while participating in an attack on a strongly defended enemy position located on Hill 285, near Sibi-ri, Korea. During the assault, Dale was seriously wounded; a comrade was dressing his wound when an enemy grenade fell close to them. Dale threw his body over that of his comrade, thereby receiving the full blast of the grenade which took his life.

Dale was only 17 when he enlisted, so his parents were required to sign a release so he could join the army. Two days after enlistment he was a train to U.S. Army Boot Camp in Kansas.

Awards/Ribbons Crow Received:
- Distinguished Service Cross
- Purple Heart
- National Defense Service Medal
- Combat Infantryman’s Badge
- Korean Service Medal
- UN Service Medal
- Korean Presidential Unit Citation
- Republican of Korea War Service Medal