

DEDICATION OF THE
Lieutenant Colonel Cephus Lee Roupe
Memorial Bridge



THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1972 Session of
2014

(b) Designation.--The bridge that carries State Route 18, Section D10, Segment 0070, Offset 0038, over Fish Creek in New Freeport Township, Greene County, is designated as the Lieutenant Colonel Cephus Lee Roupe Memorial Bridge.

On 19 September 2014 at 1330, a State Route 18 bridge in south western Pennsylvania will be named in honor of the late LTC(Retired) Cephus Lee Roupe, MSC. LTC(R) Roupe's career spanned 36 years of enlisted, warrant, and MSC officer service and he leaves a legacy of passion and excellence that is the embodiment of our Army Values.

Speaking at the dedication will be:

COL Kyle Campbell, Commander Brook Army Medical Center

BG Dennis Doyle, the 17th MSC Corps Chief

MG(R) David Rubenstein, the 16th MSC Corps Chief



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House Bill 1972, introduced by State Rep. Pam Snyder and designating the state Route 18 bridge over Fish Creek as the Lieutenant Colonel Cephus Lee Roupe Memorial Bridge, received unanimous approval in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives and Senate. It was signed into law July 2, 2014, as Act 101 of 2014 by Gov. Tom Corbett.



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Pam Snyder
50th Legislative District



State Senator
Tim Solobay
46th Senatorial District





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Lt. Col. Cephus Lee Roupe

Lt. Col. Cephus Lee Roupe, a native of Waynesburg, enlisted in the Army in 1976. He graduated Warrant Officer Flight School in 1980 and received his direct commission in 1988 as a Medical Service Corps Officer.

His command tours included: brigade commander, 1st Medical Brigade (Provisional), Fort Hood, Texas; battalion commander, 6th Medical Recruiting Battalion, Nellis AFB, NV; company commander, 236th Medical Company (Air Ambulance), Landstuhl, Germany; and commander, Charlie Company, 61st Area Support Medical Battalion, Fort Hood, Texas.

Throughout Lt. Col. Roupe's 36-year Army career, he served in staff positions throughout the United States and overseas. Lt. Col. Roupe's last assignment was as deputy chief of staff at Southern Regional Medical Command, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, before his untimely passing on March 2, 2012.

Lt. Col. Roupe was assigned to Germany in various command and staff positions within V Corps and 30th Medical Brigade. In 2010, he was deployed to Afghanistan where he served as a Joint NATO Operations Team Leader.

Lt. Col. Roupe also was deployed to Iraq with V Corps Surgeons Office where he served in Multi-National Corps Medical Operations and liaison to the Iraqi Surgeon General. He served in the 30th Medical Brigade (Air), executive officer for the 421st Evacuation Battalion, and as commander of the 236th Medical Company (Air Ambulance).

Lt. Col. Roupe's military education includes: Command and General Staff College; Combined Arms and Services Staff School; the AMEDD Officer Basic and Advance Course; Patient Administration Course; Combat Casualty Care Course; Army Rotary Wing Aviators Course; the Warrant Officer Basic and Advance Course; Aviation Safety Course; the Army Attack Helicopter Course; and the Army Fixed Wing Qualification Course.

Lt. Col. Roupe received his undergraduate degree in Aerospace Management from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University and his master's degree in Hospital Administration from Central Michigan University, where he was completing his doctorate in Hospital Administration.

His awards and decorations include: Legion of Merit; Bronze Star Medal with oak leaf cluster; Defense Meritorious Service Medal; Meritorious Service Medal with silver and bronze oak leaf clusters; and expert infantry, field medical, aviation and parachute badges.

Lt. Col. Roupe is survived by his wife Naomi; daughters Tatonya and Tiffany; parents Donald and Carolyn; brothers Eric, Randy and Todd; son-in-law Tim; granddaughters Christian, Cierra, Trinity and Sammara; and grandsons Brysin, Cooper and Kiler.



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INVOCATION
The Rev. Edward Woods
Waynesburg Trinity Baptist Church

WELCOME
Master of Ceremony
State Representative Pam Snyder
50th Legislative District

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS
Waynesburg American Legion Post 330

NATIONAL ANTHEM
Morgan Voithofer
Miss Rain Day 2014

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Commander George Barnhart
Waynesburg American Legion Post 330

REMARKS
State Senator Tim Solobay
46th Senatorial District
Col. Kyle Campbell
Commander
Brook Army Medical Center
San Antonio, Texas
Brig. Gen. Dennis Doyle
Commanding General
Pacific Regional Medical Command
Army Medical Service Corps
Maj. Gen. (Ret.) David Rubenstein

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Waynesburg American Legion Post 330

Member Info:

Rep. Pam Snyder

**Lt. Col. Cephus Lee Roupe bridge dedication set for 1:30 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 19**

CARMICHAELS, Sept. 15 – State Rep. Pam Snyder and state Sen. Tim Solobay will serve as hosts of a ceremony set for **1:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, at the New Freeport Fire Hall, Main St, New Freeport**, to honor the distinguished 36-year Army career of the late Lt. Col. Cephus Lee Roupe of Waynesburg.

Snyder's [House Bill 1972](#), signed into law July 2 as Act 101 of 2014, designates the bridge over State Route 18 over Fish Creek in Freeport Township as the Lieutenant Colonel Cephus Lee Roupe Memorial Bridge.

Col. Roupe passed away March 2, 2012, after serving his country in the U.S. Army for 36 years. His untimely death at age 54 came soon after he submitted his retirement papers to the Army.

Col. Roupe began his Army career as an enlisted man and worked his way to the top. After receiving his aviation wings, Col. Roupe received a direct commission to the Medical Service Corps and became qualified to operate numerous military aircraft.

As a Master Army Aviator, Col. Roupe was considered perhaps the most experienced Medical Service Corps aviator in the Army. He saw combat duty in both the first and second Iraq wars. He also flew multiple missions in war-torn Bosnia and Afghanistan.

Besides Snyder and Solobay, speakers include Col. Kyle Campbell, commander, Brook Army Medical Center, San Antonio, Texas; Brig. Gen. Dennis Doyle, commanding general, Pacific Regional Medical Command, Army Medical Service Corps; and Maj. Gen. (Ret.) David Rubenstein.

Media coverage is invited, and the event will provide video/photo opportunities.