

Betty Boaz

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Dear Representative Betty Boaz and Transportation Committee,

I was informed to write this letter of testimony to Transportation Committee by Representative Bill Rhiley.

The House Bill No. 2478 is for my son, 25 year old, SGT. Evan S. Parker Memorial Highway of US 166 and US 81. I am asking for high consideration in pushing the House Bill No. 2478 forward to the next level in recognition of my son and his Ultimate Sacrifice for our Country. Evan received the Bronze Star for his Meritorious Service in a War Zone, second Purple Heart and other high Meritorious Army Achievement Service Medals listed in the the House Bill.

Evan was born In Wichita, Ks. and was raised/graduated in South Haven, Ks. Evan then went on, joined the US Army and served his country until his heroic death in a war zone, Operation Iraq Freedom in 2005.

I am asking for this portion of the Highway 166 and 81 to be named the SGT. Evan S. Parker Memorial Highway since this is the location of six plus Kansas generations of my family. Evan lived the Kansas farm life and was extremely proud to call Kansas his home. Also very proud of his Service to his Country. Evan gave the Ultimate Sacrifice for his Country and is buried right there in South Haven, Kansas, along side his grandparents.

In writing this I say and believe if Evan was here to stand before you he would say:

"It was my highest Honor to Serve my Country".

Respectfully Submitted
Anita F. Dixon
Gold Star Mother of:
SGT. Evan S. Parker
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