Memorial Tribute to Victor Lee Ellinger

November 24, 2020 (50th Anniversary of his death/KIA in Viet Nam)

2:00 PM (1400 hours) Thornrose Cemetery

Staunton, Virginia

Music by Kathy Boyer, bagpiper – "Oh Danny Boy"

Opening remarks – Invocation by Paul Wolfe representing The American Legion

Brief remarks about Victor's life - Tom Erskine

Laying of the wreath and VA Foot Marker

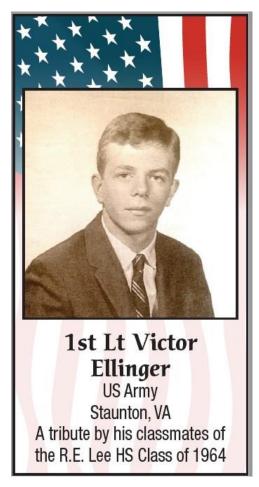
Presentation of memorial flag - Steve Faidley

Explanation of tree bracelet on Victor's memorial tree – Avenue of Trees

Non-denominational prayer by Paul Wolfe

Closing remarks - Benediction by Paul Wolfe

Music by Kathy Boyer, bagpiper, "Amazing Grace" during dismissal



MORE THAN JUST A NAME ON A WALL By Jimmy Fortune Performed by the Statler Brothers

And she looked up to heaven, And the words she said were these: And she said, Lord my boy was special, And he meant so much to me. You know I'd love to see him, Just one more time you see. And I thank him for the memories, And the moments to recall. So Lord can't you tell him, He's more than a name on a wall. Said he really missed the family, And being home on Christmas Day. And he died for God and Country, In a place so far away. I remember just a little boy, Playing war since he was three. But Lord this time I know, He's not coming home to me. She said Lord, my boy was special, And he meant so much to me. And I know I'd love to see him, Just one more time you see. So I thank him for the memories, And the moments to recall. But Lord, please tell him. He's more than a name on a wall.

Vic's Tree on Frontier Drive



Vic's Name Included on the Courthouse Wall



Many thanks to Scott at Shenandoah Trophy for his work on Vic's foot marker as well as the tree bracelet. Both were donated to us in honor of Vic's sacrifice. Also, thanks to the American Legion for offering use of their hall at no charge for a social gathering after the graveside tribute.

