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# PRESS RELEASE

## Honor Mission Scheduled June 20

*William Hoover Jones, POW/MIA Returning Home*

**Franklin County, June 19, 2019:** An Honor Mission for Private First Class William Hoover Jones, POW/MIA, is set for June 20, 2019. Jones was presumed dead since December 31, 1953. His remains are now being returned home for his final resting place in Nash County. The escort should depart from RDU at 11:15 a.m. and travel I 540 to US 64 to Nash County, escorted by the North Carolina Highway Patrol, for burial.

The public is invited to stand with local EMS, Fire Departments and other auxiliaries and show honor for our fallen comrade and to honor PFC Jones' service to our country. Overpasses and exits will be lined along the route with military and veteran supporters including US 64 and NC 39 overpasses and exits at Tant Road, Lewis Road and Stallings Road.

PFC Jones was awarded Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Korean Service Medal and many others.

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