

## **“Remembering & Honoring Our Heroes**

### **Who made the Ultimate Sacrifice during July”**

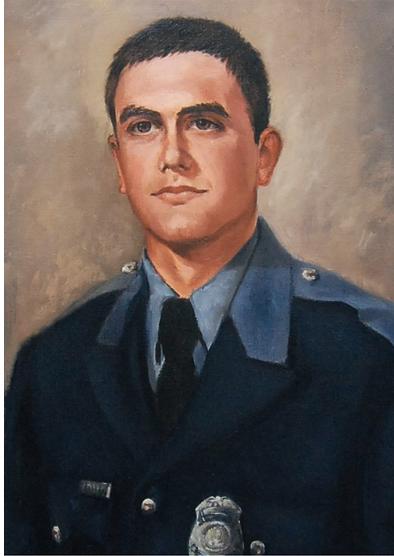
The Colonel C. W. Woodson Memorial Gallery located in the Virginia State Police Academy is dedicated to those members of the Virginia State Police and their predecessors, the inspectors of the Division of Motor Vehicles, who gave their lives in the preservation of law and order, and who, in so doing, lived and died in the best traditions of law enforcement's duty and service to mankind. The Woodson Memorial Gallery proudly displays the portraits of two Virginia Troopers - Trooper Robert Tinsley Lohr, EOW: 7/22/1978; and Trooper Robert Fulton Giles, EOW: 7/23/1954 - who lived their lives by this tradition and by the Trooper's Pledge down to the very letter and who in the month of July made the ultimate sacrifice protecting and serving the citizens of our State and Country. We will always remember and honor them for how they lived and served.

**God Bless our Heroes!**

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**Trooper Robert Tinsley Lohr, Badge # 1510  
Division I - Caroline County  
EOW: July 22, 1978**



**Today and always, the Virginia State Police Family Remembers and Honors the service and dedication of Trooper Robert Tinsley Lohr, who 43 years ago, gave his life protecting and serving the Citizens of Virginia, and who in so doing lived and died in the best traditions of law enforcement's duty and service to mankind. On July 22, 1978, Trooper Robert Lohr was assisting a motorist with a flat tire near the 102-mile marker on southbound I-95 in Caroline County, near Carmel Church. At approximately 4:20 a.m., Trooper Lohr was struck and killed by an intoxicated driver.**

**Trooper Lohr, a member of the 63rd Basic Session, graduated from the Virginia State Academy on February 3, 1978, and was assigned to patrol Caroline County. Trooper Lohr had served with the Virginia State Police for one year and was only 22 years old.**

**Thank you Robert for your service and dedication!  
Rest In Peace Brother**

**Trooper Robert Fulton Giles, Badge # 561  
Division IV - Wise County  
End of Watch: July 23, 1954.**



**Today and always, the Virginia State Police Family Remembers and Honors the Service and Dedication of Trooper Robert Fulton Giles. Like the Eagle on his Trooper's Badge, Trooper Giles always soared high searching for crime in all its forms to protect the citizens he served. He strived always to make his community, state and country a safer place in which to live.**

**Tragically on July 23, 1954, 67 years ago today, while pursuing safety for his community, Trooper Giles became the 21st Virginia State Trooper to made the ultimate sacrifice. When he and another officer attempted to break up a fight between two men outside a cafe in Coeburn one of the men shot Trooper Giles with his own service weapon after it fell from its holster during the struggle. Trooper Giles was transported to Park Avenue Hospital, in Norton, where he died the following day.**

**Trooper Giles is a true Virginia Hero for the way he lived and served his community, state and country. Trooper Giles served and protected the Citizens of Virginia as a Virginia State Police Trooper for 3 years. While he was taken from this world too soon at only 24 years of age, his memory lives and his example of service protecting the Citizens of Virginia serves as a continuing inspiration for us all.**

**Thank you, Robert, for your service!**

**Rest in Peace Brother**

## Trooper's Pledge



"Humbly recognizing the responsibilities entrusted to me as a member of the Department of State Police, an organization dedicated to the preservation of human life and property, I pledge myself to perform my duties honestly and faithfully to the best of my ability and without fear, favor or prejudice.

"I shall aid those in danger or distress, and shall strive always to make my State and Country a safer place in which to live.  
I shall wage unceasing war against crime in all its forms, and shall consider no sacrifice too great in the performance of my duty.

I shall obey the laws of the United States of America and of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and shall support and defend their constitutions against all enemies whomsoever, foreign and domestic.  
I shall always be loyal to and uphold the honor of my organization, my State and my Country."