

Date of Hearing:

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Lori D. Wilson, Chair

ACR 142 (Ransom) – As Introduced February 19, 2026

**SUBJECT:** San Joaquin County Sheriff's Deputies Floyd and Michael Coleman Memorial Highway

**SUMMARY:** Designates a specified portion of State Route 120 in the County of San Joaquin as the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Deputies Floyd and Michael Coleman Memorial Highway. The measure would request that the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) determine the cost of appropriate signs showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover the cost, to erect those signs.

**EXISTING LAW:** Assigns Caltrans the responsibility of operating and maintaining state highways. This includes the installation and maintenance of highway signs.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** Unknown, but the measure requests that Caltrans determine the cost of appropriate signage consistent with requirements for the state highway system and only erect the appropriate signage upon receiving donations from non-state sources covering the cost.

**COMMENTS:** Floyd Coleman and his son, Michael Coleman, were dedicated residents of the City of Manteca who shared a deep commitment to the safety of their community and the profession of law enforcement.

Floyd Coleman's service began in 1954 when he was sworn in as a member of the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Auxiliary, eventually serving as the Department's Rangemaster, where he mentored and trained young deputies in the safe and proficient use of firearms.

Michael Coleman followed his father's path of service, joining the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Office as a cadet rising to the rank of deputy one year later, a proud milestone marked by his father pinning his gold star to his chest.

During his distinguished career, Detective Michael Coleman served in the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Office's Custody and Patrol Divisions and worked as an undercover detective in the Metropolitan Narcotics Task Force.

On March 25, 1982, while Floyd Coleman was working at the Sheriff's range, the Metropolitan Narcotics Task Force was assigned to serve a search warrant for drugs in the City of Stockton.

During the service of that warrant, an exchange of gunfire occurred, and Detective Michael Coleman was shot. Detective Michael Coleman was transported to Dameron Hospital in the City of Stockton.

Upon learning of the incident, a patrol unit was dispatched to transport Floyd Coleman to Dameron Hospital to be with his son. As the patrol unit approached the hospital, Floyd Coleman slumped forward suffering a heart attack. He was rushed into the examination room inside of the

hospital, but it was too late. Floyd and Michael Coleman were both pronounced dead and later laid to rest side by side at St. John's Catholic Cemetery in the City of Escalon.

Floyd and Michael Coleman are remembered for their hard work and dedication to professionalism in law enforcement.

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

**Analysis Prepared by:** Aimee Anspach / TRANS. / (916) 319-2093