

ANDERSON

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able to attend, was held in June at the M.H. Boykin Community Center in Winnsboro.

Fairfield County Sheriff Herman Young met Anderson shortly after he returned from the War.

"When I learned about the story of Sgt. Anderson's action in Vietnam, I was so amazed that someone would put their life on the line for someone else," Young said.

He visited Anderson about a month before his death.

"I am so happy that I saw him," he said. "I wanted him to know I thought about him. ...

"He was such a strong person. ...I admired him so much. I will continue to admire him."

John Baker, a Columbia resident and a Dorn V.A. Hospital employee met Anderson through the Medal of Honor Society.

"He was quiet, but friendly and he was always smiling," Baker said.

He visited Anderson every day during his final stay in the V.A. Hospital.

Anderson was the son of the late Frizell and Blanche Rabb Anderson and a stepson of Carrie Anderson. He was a retired member of the U.S. Army, VFW Post 4262, as well as the Medal of Honor Society.

He is survived by his wife, Vickie Anderson; daughters, Vonnie and Tanetta Anderson; stepdaughter, Amelia Thompson; sons Webster Anderson II, Davis Anderson, Webster Whitfield; stepsons Lee and Leon Thompson; four sisters, Frances Freeman, Alberta Lumpkin, Marjorie Byrd and Marie Jones; three brothers, Frizell Anderson, Jr., Billy Anderson and Larry Anderson; eight grandchildren, six step grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services for Anderson were held at 3 p.m. Thursday Sept. 4 at Black Jack Baptist Church.

Burial followed in the Church cemetery.



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The uniform now stands empty, as part of the collection at the Fairfield County Museum. Other Anderson items including a portrait, a copy of his Congressional Medal of Honor citation and a picture of Anderson with President Richard Nixon who awarded the Medal of Honor.