

**W. Howard Frankland Bridge Dedication
Tampa, St. Petersburg, Clearwater
15 January 1960**

Dedication Program

Flag Raising: Color Guard, MacDill Air Force Base

National Anthem: Clearwater High School Band

Invocation: Reverend Carl A. Driscoll, Pastor, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

Introduction of Guests: Chairman

Presentation of Bridge: D. M. Plyer, Vice President, Hardaway Contracting Company

Acceptance of Bridge: Joe Grotegut, Chairman, State Road Board

Presentation of Plaque to the Honorable Albert L. Rogero: Alfred Schelm, President, St. Petersburg Chamber of Commerce

Christening of Bridge: Mrs. W. Howard Frankland

Address: Honorable LeRoy Collins, Governor, State of Florida

Cutting of Ribbon: Winifred Frankland, age 8; Jennifer Frankland, age 6; W. Howard Frankland II, age 2 ½

Crossing of Bridge: Distinguished Guests

Music: Clearwater High School Band

Facts about the W. Howard Frankland Bridge

Date construction started: June 1957

Date completed: August 1959

Total cost: \$6,528,813.04

Overall length of bridge: 15,872 feet

Overall length of approaches: Over 11 miles, including approaches and traffic distributors

Type of construction: 348 spans consisting of reinforced concrete deck slab on prestressed concrete girders supported on concrete piers and steel H-piles

Concrete handrail: 31,600 lineal feet

Quantities of materials used:

Pounds of steel used: 15,000,000

Cubic yards of concrete used: 84,000

221,460 lineal feet of 24" square prestressed concrete piling

2,720 lineal feet of 14" steel H-piles

7,995 lineal feet of creosoted wood piles

22,656 thousand board feet of creosoted timber

15,000,000 pounds of reinforcing steel in all items

CONTRACTORS

Main bridge: Hardaway Contracting Company, Columbus, GA

Pinellas County approaches: Brinson-Allen Construction Company,
Tampa, FL

Hillsborough County approaches: W. H. Armston Co., Inc., Dunedin,
FL

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Dedication music by Clearwater High School Band

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