



Robert Heber Van Volkenburg III
Co A-1

Former Classmate

Born – 5 Nov 1938, Ft. Benning, GA. Army Brat.

To USMA – Came from Germany. Appointed by North Carolina 4th.

Died – 13 June 1958 (age 19) at Mannheim, Germany. Buried at Arlington National Cemetery.

Military Awards – Unknown.

Schooling – One year at the University of Maryland, Munich, Germany branch before entering West Point.

Family – Unknown.

Contact – Unknown.

Bob's life ended a week or two after his successful completion of Plebe year. On Yearling furlough, beginning in June 1958, Bob caught an Air Force flight to Germany so he could spend time with his family stationed at Mannheim. Three days after his arrival, Bob was killed in an automobile accident just outside Mannheim on 13 June 1958.

Footnote – A significant portion of the Long Gray Line were Bob's ancestors. His maternal grandfather, Albert E. Brown was USMA'12, his paternal grandfather, for whom both he and his father were named was USMA'13, his father was USMA'37. The list also includes a great-great uncle (Sewell USMA1891), a great uncle (Weaver USMA'12) and an uncle (Brown USMA'40).