



Barton Patrick Chambers Co E-1

It remains difficult to say which Bart loved more: the rack or Sandy, but he must be admired for remaining devoted to both. His cheerful manner tempered with a sense of duty has proved a real attribute, and if he wears his new uniforms as he has worn his integrity and sincerity as a cadet, history will mark him well.

Born – 10 May 1939, Ft. Screven, GA. Army Brat. His father was also a West Pointer.

To USMA – Came from Augusta, GA. Appointed by Georgia 10th. Nickname – “Black Bart”, “Geronimo Bart”.

Died – 28 July 2014 (age 75) at Pace, FL. Burial site unknown.

Military Awards – National Defense Service Medal.

Schooling – Artillery Advanced Course.

Family – Second Wife – Susan Orcutt-Roberts Chambers (13 years) – 1 step-daughter (Danielle) – 2 step-grandchildren.

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Bart served on active duty in the Army (Artillery) for 6 years, medically discharged in 1967, with the rank of Captain. His first assignment was with a Corporal Missile Battalion, 81st Artillery, 5th Airborne at Erlangen and Wiesbaden, Germany. In 1966, he then returned to Ft. Sill (Artillery Advanced Course and Battery Commander, 3rd Corps Artillery). During this time he was severely injured in an automobile accident. In 1967, he was medically discharged from the service due to his disabilities.

Two years later, Bart went to work for the government as a civilian undercover agent in Vietnam. The Vietcong were heavily involved in the drug trade, aiming to debilitate U.S. troops fighting in Vietnam. He was shot five times by someone he trusted. His survival of the ordeal was a miracle and he carried one of the bullets in his abdomen the rest of this life. He then went to work as an Engineer for a construction company in Washington, D.C. Bart then worked as a scientist for 20 years for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Coastal Zone Management which involved marine biology and ecology. He retired from NOAA in 1997, and moved to Pensacola, FL. Bart died on 28 July 2014, from cancer.