



**Howard Maxwell Potter Co F-1**

*Anyone who knew Max knew his "brown boy." He traded stars for roommates plebe year and continued to trade them through cow year, and still managed to make the "Potterisms" famous throughout the Corps. Perhaps, with graduation and more free time, he'll make up some lost sleep in the guidance van of a missile outfit and still not lose "privileges."*

**Born** – 15 Oct 1939, Delaware.

**To USMA** – Came from Tuxedo Park, NY. Appointed by Delaware Senator Frear. Nickname – "Max", "Max with the Facts".

**Died** – 22 Apr 1994 (age 54) at Fayetteville, NC. Buried at West Point.

**Military Awards** – 3 Bronze Stars, 2 Army Commendation Medal, Air Medal, Combat Infantryman's Badge.

**Schooling** – Master's Degree in Political Science, Ohio State University.

**Family** - Wife – Name unknown – 2 children (Diana and Robert) – grandchildren.

**Contact** – Unknown.

Max served on active duty with the Army (Artillery and then Military Intelligence) for 12 years, receiving a medical retirement in 1973, with the rank of Major. He was diagnosed with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) which apparently resulted from his tours in Vietnam. His first assignment was with the 1<sup>st</sup> Artillery. He then served in the 109<sup>th</sup> Military Intelligence Group, Vietnam (first tour - Army Intelligence Service), Columbus, OH (Ohio State University), West Point, NY (Instructor, Social Sciences Department), Vietnam (second tour – Advisor), 108<sup>th</sup> and 109<sup>th</sup> Military Intelligence Groups.

After retirement from active duty in the Army Max worked as an Account Executive for Merrill Lynch, Analyst for the New York Stock Exchange, Analyst for the Congressional Research Service, Student with News Social Research, Dean of the Villa Oasis School, Research Historian for the Army Training and Doctrine Command, TRADOC, Archivist for U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, JFKSWCS at Ft. Bragg. Max was a historian and author. Max passed away on 22 April 1994.