



**Robert Louis Janoska Co H-1**

*The little man with his big guitar never failed to keep everyone in high "Spirits." Though three inches taller than Napoleon, he never felt that his extra height would hamper him from achieving equal greatness. Though little in stature, we will always remember his big heart, his continuous smile, and his never ending friendship.*

**Born** – 1 Jan 1938, Philadelphia, PA.

**To USMA** – Came from Philadelphia, PA.

Appointed by the National Guard. Nickname – "Janosk".

**Died** – 25 Jan 2011 (age 73) at Highland, MI.

Buried at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly, MI.

**Military Awards** – 2 Bronze Star Medals, Army Commendation Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge.

**Schooling** – Armor Advanced Course.

**Family** - Wife – Hazel Janoska (20 years) – 4 children and step-children (Michael, Jeffry, Kathy and Linda) – 7 grandchildren and step-grandchildren.

**Contact** – Hazel Janoska, Address 1280 Pettibone Lake Road, Highland, MI 48356, Phone unknown, Email unknown.

Bob served on active duty in the Army (Armor) for 8 years, resigning in 1969, with the rank of Captain. His first assignment was in Germany. He then served at Ft. Knox, (Armor Advanced Course, Vietnam (Ranger and Advisor to a RVN unit).

After leaving active duty in the Army, Bob went to work for General Motors, as a Design Engineer with the tank plant in Cleveland. Two and a half years later, the government cancelled the contract and the plant was closed. He was transferred to Milford, MI, where he was worked as an Engineer at the GM Safety Research and Development Laboratory (SRDL) and eventually became the Operations Manager. He retired after a heart attack and quadruple by-pass surgery. After his divorce in 1979, Bob raised his two boys as a single parent until they were adults. In 1991, Bob married Hazel, whom he had met while working at the GM Proving Grounds. Hazel had two children by a previous marriage. Bob passed away on 25 January 2011, from a heart attack.