



**Gary Reese Lord Co K-1**

*With abundant energy and enthusiasm, Gary attacked all cadet problems – “dragging,” playing sports, having fun, writing letters, helping friends, studying quickly and effectively, sleeping, getting duties done – in such a manner to get it all in. Applying his interests and abilities to an Army career will not be too difficult for Gary.*

**Born** – 22 July 1939 in New York

**To USMA** – from Potsdam in Upstate NY.

Appointed as a Qualified Alternate.

**Died** – 15 July 2022 (age 82) at Portland, OR.

Burial to be determined.

**Military Awards** – 3 Bronze Star Medals, 4 Army Commendation Medals, 3 Meritorious Service Medals, 2 Legion of Merit Medals

**Schooling** – Masters Degree in Civil Engineering, University of Illinois, Command and General Staff College, CGSC, Army War College, AWC, .

**Family** - Wife – Ruth Lord (61 years) – 4 children (Bradford, Kristin, Kelleen, Reese) – 7 grandchildren.

**Contact** – Ruth Lord, Address 841 SW Gaines Street, #103, Portland, OR 97239, Phone unknown, Email unknown.

Gary served on active duty in the Army (Corps of Engineers) for 27 years, retiring in 1988, with the rank of Colonel. His first assignment was with the 307<sup>th</sup> Engineer Construction Battalion in Fort Bragg, NC. He then served in Thailand (809<sup>th</sup> Engineer Construction Battalion, building the Friendship Highway), Urbana-Champaign, IL (Student, University of Illinois), Vietnam (101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division, RVN), Fort Leavenworth, KS (Command and General Staff College, CGSC), Pentagon, VA (Army Office of the Chief of Legislative Liaison, OCLL), Fort Leonard Wood, MO (Commanding Officer, Training Battalion), Germany (Headquarters, U.S. Army Europe, HqUSAREUR), Carlisle, PA (Student, Army War College, AWC), Okinawa (Deputy Division Engineer, Special Operations Command Pacific, SoPac), Portland, OR (District Engineer, Northwest District covering a large region in the northwest U.S.).

After leaving active duty in the Army, Gary had a successful career in construction management. He worked for EDSI Environmental Consulting (President), Virginia Maintenance Services (Chief Operating Officer), VMS Construction (Vice President & Chief Operating Officer), Parsons Brinckerhoff (Area Manager), Kiewit Construction (Business Development Manager & Project Manager of the light rail construction project in Salt Lake City, UT). Gary passed away on 15 July 2022.

Footnote from Gary – “West Point not only shaped my life, the Army career afforded me the opportunity to meet many wonderful friends with whom we continue to stay in touch. The camaraderie of West Point Classmates and other Army friends is something no other venue can provide.”