



Monte Thomas Sloan Co B-1

Believing that the sword is mightier than the pen, the slide rule, and several other instruments of academic endeavor, Monte spent most of his cadet career on the wrestling mat or in the company of several young ladies who were definitely show-stoppers. He will be remembered as a fearsome competitor and a man who prized his individuality and his heritage.

Born – 10 Jan 1937, Montana.

To USMA – Came from Superior, WI. Appointed by Minnesota Wayne Thye.

Died – 10 Dec 1966 (age 29) at killed-in-action (KIA), Vietnam. Buried at West Point.

Military Awards – Silver Star Medal and others.

Schooling – Armor Advanced Course.

Family - Wife – Caroline Pohl Sloan (5 years) – 2 daughters (Erin and Tara) – 7 grandchildren.

Contact – Caroline Sloan, Address unknown, Phone unknown, Email unknown.

Monte served on active duty with the Army (Infantry) for 5 years, until his untimely death in 1966, with the rank of Captain. His first assignment was with the 25th Infantry Division in Hawaii. He volunteered for the 4 month “shotgun” rotation in Vietnam. He then served at Ft. Knox (Armor Advance Course), and Vietnam (Company Commander, 16th Infantry, 1st Infantry Division).

In 1966 in Vietnam Monte’s company was ambushed by a command detonated bomb. Several troops were seriously wounded including Monte. He placed the well-being of his soldiers above his own and would not allow himself to be medically evacuated until all of the others received treatment. Monte died on 10 December 1966, from his wounds.

Footnote – Monte’s loyalty in command to his troopers resulted in his death.