



Michael Coyne Co F-2

This stalwart from New England has never let being a cadet become an obsession. Like Kutuzov, Mike believed that a good night's sleep was the best preparation for the coming battle. His great insight is matched only by his stubbornness, and he will never be down until he's out. A good friend who will go far in the future.

Born – 25 Aug 1938, Massachusetts.

To USMA – Came from Scituate, MA. Appointed by Massachusetts 9th.

Died – 31 Dec 1996 (age 57) at Sandia Park, Albuquerque, NM. Buried at Santa Fe National Cemetery, Santa Fe, NM.

Military Awards – Unknown.

Schooling – Unknown.

Family - Unknown.

Contact – Unknown.

Mike served on active duty in the Army (Artillery) for 12 years until his untimely death in 1973, with the rank of Major. He served tours at Ft. Sill, OK and two tours in Vietnam. His last assignment was a leadership role at the Non-Commissioned Officer Academy at Ft. Sill, OK.

After leaving active duty in the Army, Mike moved to Albuquerque, NM and purchased a bar and grill high up on Sandia Mountain. He was a genial host to his guests and known to provide cold beer and excellent hamburgers. Mike passed away on 31 December 1996, from an infection resulting from an old ankle injury.

Footnote from Mike's West Point roommates – To test whether we could actually put Mike into a flap. We once put a photo of Raymond Moley (a journalist of uncanny resemblance) in his place on the sign-out card. It remained there until the Tac noticed it and promptly wrote-up all three of us. It may have earned Mike an hour or two (on the area), but he never complained and only laughed when it came up.