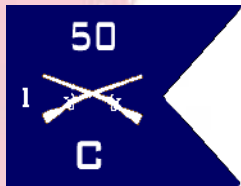




**1<sup>ST</sup> BATTALION  
50<sup>TH</sup> INFANTRY**



**CO & XO  
"C" COMPANY  
1967**



**CO  
"D" COMPANY  
1968**



**LIEUTENANT  
COLONEL (RET)**



## Obituary for Thomas Schroeder

Ret. LTC Thomas "Tom" M. Schroeder, age 69, passed away Saturday, August 31, 2013. Memorial Services will be conducted Saturday, September 7, 2013 at 2PM in Williams Funeral Home Chapel of Milledgeville.

Interment will be held at a later date in the Georgia Veteran's Memorial Cemetery.

The family will be at the funeral Home Saturday from 1 to 2PM to receive friends.

Ret. LTC Tom Schroeder was born in Parkston, South Dakota, but lived throughout the world and had made his home in Eatonton since 1987. He was a West Point graduate Class of 1966, an Airborne Ranger.

In 1967, Then Lieutenant Tom Schroeder, served as interim Company Commander and also as Executive Officer of Charlie Company, 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 50th Infantry. He continued as Executive Officer of "C" Company and arrived in the former Republic of South Vietnam with the battalion's advance party in August of 1967. In March of 1968, he took command of "D" Company. Tom returned for a second tour where he went through the Vietnamese Ranger School and served with the Vietnamese Rangers. During these Vietnam Tours, he earned a Purple Heart and three Bronze Stars. He served as Macon, Georgia's Central High School ROTC program director and his last active duty assignment was as the professor of Military Science at Georgia Military College. He was a member of the Purple Heart Society, the Military Officers Assn. of America, The Assn. of the 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry, The American Legion, and the Elks.

Born the son of the late martin F. Schroeder and the late Joan Schlimgen Schroeder, he is survived by his wife Jean Schroeder of Eatonton; son Thomas M. Schroeder, Jr. of Layton, Utah; daughter Kelly (Todd) Webb of Wilmington, NC; step daughter Jennifer Hendrick of Elizabeth City, NC; and brother Scott Schroeder of West Lake Village, CA; and 6 grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that Memorial Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society.

