

GSP As We Knew Him

Company A-2 classmates gathered 24-28 September to present gifts to Joanne Patton, widow of MG George Patton, their Tactical Officer during Second and First Class years. Attending were **Jerry & Lillian Burcham, Woodie & Peggi Deleuil, George & Barbara Woods, Bill & Nancy McPeek, Bill & Sandra Haponski, Barry Bynell, Alice Celeste Marson, Skip and Frances Ross.**

Joanne Patton resides on her beautiful farm near Boston, her house crammed with Patton memorabilia and military history books. She conducted a tour of the farm and house, replete with anecdotes of her life with George Patton. She served a great lunch, much of the food produced on the farm. After lunch **Jerry Burcham** presented to her a leather-bound book entitled GSP As We Knew Him filled with anecdotes and recollections from cadet days and after graduation about her husband. **Bill Haponski** presented to her a DVD made from 8mm movies he had taken in VN while in the 11th ACR as S-3 and Executive Officer of Patton. That evening she hosted an elegant dinner, with appropriate toasts, at the Hawthorne Hotel in Salem.



Picture #1 Ladies (l-r) **Alice Celeste Marson, Lillian Burcham, Frances Ross, Peggi Deleuil, Joanne Patton, Sandra Haponski, Barbara Woods and Nancy McPeek.**



Picture #2 Men {l-r} **Bill McPeek, Skip Ross, Barry Bynell, Jerry Burcham, Joanne Patton, Bill Haponski, Woodie Deleuil, and George Woods.**