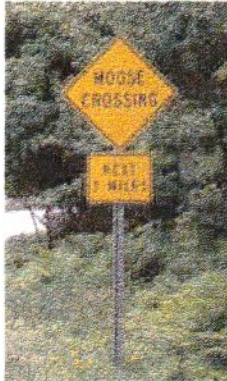


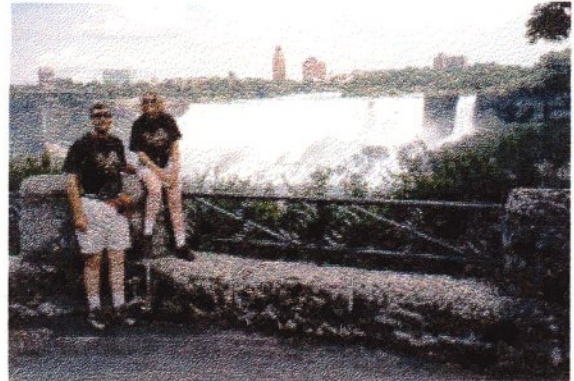
## The Search for Infinity

Mark and I met Johnny & Cindy Wilson at 9:00 am on Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup> and headed out for Hiawasse, the site of the Georgia District Rally. We stayed busy the next three days... selling 50/25/25 tickets, eating, riding, eating, donating blood, eating, checking out vendors, eating, competing for Best-Dressed, eating, attending the closing ceremony and eating. Even with a few rain showers it was a great rally. We are already looking forward to next year.

On Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup> Mark & I started our search for *Infinity*. During the next two weeks we rode through 18 States and 2 Canadian Provinces and logged 3,999 miles. Our first stop was Gaitlinburg, TN. We enjoyed a beautiful ride through the Smoky Mountains. Later that afternoon, we started our trek on the *Blue Ridge Parkway*. That evening, we stopped for the night at a motorcycles only campground. The next morning it was raining as we packed up our tent and started out. That evening Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> we stayed at a Hampton Inn in Roanoke, VA and laid everything out to dry. On Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> with everything dried and repacked we completed the Blue Ridge Parkway... all 470 miles. It was a beautiful ride as I am sure several of you have already experienced. That evening we made it to Lewes, DE and rode



Moose Crossing



Mark & Karen at Niagara Falls

the ferry across the Delaware Bay to Cape May, NJ. I guess that explains why we didn't log over 4000 miles on the trip.

Over the next few days we rode through several of the eastern states enjoying great views, food and waving to friendlies. Vermont is the home of "Ben & Jerry Ice Cream" we stopped to tour the plant and enjoyed a sample of their #1 seller "Cherry Garcia".

By Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup> we arrived at Niagara Falls and enjoyed two days on the Canadian side. The bike remained parked for the two days as we were within walking distance of the falls, restaurants and the casino.

On Tuesday morning, we had things loaded back in the trailer and ready to hit the highway. About 7:30 a.m. we left Canada and crossed back into the U.S. By now we had ridden through 15 states and still hadn't seen any signs of *Infinity*. Still having a few days of vacation left, we were not

ready to return to Georgia. At Pittsburgh, we decided to go *Beyond* and surprise our families. This was one of our longest days of riding, logging around 600 miles and arriving 12 hours later at Mark's parent's house around 7:30 pm.

While in Indiana, Mark took his older sister and my twin sister for rides. Both of them had ridden on motorcycles before but nothing like a Gold Wing. After visiting with family and friends for three days we started out on the return trip to Georgia. This little side trip to Indiana wasn't planned as part of our vacation but it allowed us to pick up three more states Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky.

We made it back in time to enjoy the 4<sup>th</sup> of July in Georgia and some of that great barbeque and Brunswick stew they cook up in Lewis Grizzard's hometown of Moreland.

Still in search of Infinity,  
Karen Campbell