Ricky Patterson (left)
SLS member from Vicksburg, Mississippi visiting V. A. Brou Jr. Ricky has studied and collected insects for 38 years and is well known for his avid interest in Rhopalocera. Though, he is more and more being drawn to the moths of the state. Ricky is a member of the Lepidopterist's Society, the Southern Lepidopterist's Society, Kentucky Leps, and is a research associate with the Mississippi Entomological Museum. Ricky has a day job working at Grand Gulf Nuclear Station as a Senior Reactor Operator and Shift Manager.
SLS member from Sanford, Florida visiting V. A. Brou Jr. Bob, has studied and collected insects for 42 years and is well known for his interest in the moth family Geometridae of America north of Mexico. "Bob is a member of the Lepidopterists' Society, Entomological Society of America, Bohart Museum Society, and many other work-related organizations. He is a Research Associate of the McGuire Center for Lepidoptera and Biodiversity, has his B.S. in entomology from UC Davis, M.S. in entomology from UF in Gainesville and is a Board Certified Entomologist through the Entomological Society of America. He is presently the Pest Prevention Training & Technical Director for Massey Services in Orlando, FL, (www.masseyservices.com) one of the largest pest management companies in the nation". He has provided representative images of most of the species in his personal research collection accessible on the web at: http://mothphotographersgroup.msstate.edu/pinned.php?plate=17.0&size=s&sort=h and http://mothphotographers group.msstate.edu/BobBelmont/450/BelmontIntro.shtml In a recent note, Bob commented "Vern, I was really impressed with your meticulous recordkeeping through continuous collections at your home. The data you've accumulated and the great collection you've amassed will aid researchers and lepidopterists for years to come."