



## Charlie A. Martin

October 22, 1929 - July 17, 2019

Charlie A. Martin was brought into this world by his beloved mother Ruth Lehman who taught love, compassion and strength that he would continue showing the world his entire life. At no time was this strength demonstrated more than his service with the U.S. Marine Corps during the November 1950 Korean War Battle of Chosin Reservoir. He considered his service with the Marines to one of the greatest honors of his life. In spite of experiencing unthinkable wartime experiences rarely mentioned, his heart as warm as the summer sun. A man with high expectations demonstrated by encouragement, unconditional love and a “yes you can” attitude. His children recall fond memories of joy and happiness as he played guitar and sang songs together. Not only did he defend his country but also children’s neighborhood squirrels in a community with friends he cherished so much he chose to never leave.

Charlie A. Martin, born October 22, 1929 in San Antonio, Passed away on July 17, 2019 at the age of 89. He was a Veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, having served in the Korean Conflict and was retired from Kelly AFB as an Electrical Engineer. He loved Golf and playing Guitar. Survivor include his wife of 67 years, Mary G. Martin; daughters: Lorraine C. Surber and Deborah A. Wiley; son: Charles A. Martin; 9 grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren; sister-in-law, Sue Ann Lehman; and was preceded in death by his brother, Jimmy Lehman.

### SERVICES

Visitation will begin at 4:00 PM on Thursday, July 25, 2019 at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South with a Rosary at 7:00PM. Funeral Liturgy will be held at 8:00 AM on Friday, July 26 at Mission Park South with interment to follow at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery with Military Honors. For personal acknowledgement, you may sign the online guestbook at [www.missionparks.com](http://www.missionparks.com).

# Cemetery

---

## **Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery**

1520 Harry Wurzbach  
San Antonio, TX, 78209

# Events

---

**JUL Visitation 04:00PM - 08:00PM**

**25**

---

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories

1700 SE Military Dr, San Antonio, TX, US, 78214

**JUL Funeral Service 08:00AM**

**26**

---

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories

1700 SE Military Dr, San Antonio, TX, US, 78214

# Comments

---



“ An external video has been added.



**Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery** - July 22, 2019 at 05:22 PM

---



“ My deepest sympathy to the family of Charlie Martin. It is evident the you have many cherished memories of your lives together. Along with sharing those memories with others , I urge you to keep in prayer to God , who has all understanding .Philippians 4:7. states: “. Do not be anxious over anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication along with thanksgiving, let your petitions be made known to God; and the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and your mental powers by means of Christ Jesus.“. May this bring you the comfort you need at this difficult time.

**Cynthia Puente** - July 23, 2019 at 10:20 AM

---



“ I was just a small kid in the early 50s when Charlie and his brother, Jimmy would take the time to do things with me. We would go fishing and hunting, mess around on the San Antonio river, before it became a ditch to carry water. They were my Big brothers, my being an only child, Marie’s little boy. Our yard backed up to Gaga’s backyard, with a sidewalk my father, Oliver, made between the two houses. Gaga was my grandmother’s sister. My prayers will be with Charlie, and his family in this time of loss. He and Jimmy will still be looking over my shoulder for a little time yet.

David O. Pearson

**David O. Pearson** - July 22, 2019 at 06:36 PM