



## Miguel "Mike" D. Leal, Jr.

January 31, 1926 - July 5, 2014

Miguel D. Mike Leal, entered eternal life July 5, 2014 at the age of 88. Mr. Leal is preceded in death by his beloved wife of 50 years, Mary Socorro, parents, Miguel and Mercedes, brothers, Guillermo and Polo. He is survived by his loving son, Michael Debbie and leaves behind two beautiful granddaughters, Sarah and Kimberly, many cherished family members, friends and neighbors. As a child, his dream was to be a pilot and grew up wanting to serve his country and be a leader. In 1944, he volunteered and joined the United States Marines at the age of 18. He served two years with distinction and wounded engaging in a 45-day battle at Suribachi, Iwo Jima. Mr. Leal was awarded the Purple Heart and other commendations for his dedication and bravery. A member of Veteran of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans, church, civic LULAC and business communities, his discipline and patriotism learned in the Marines never left him, as friends and family will attest. Chapel Viewing and Service will be held at Mission Park North Funeral Home 6 p.m. Sunday, July 13, 2014. A procession will leave at 9:00 a.m. Monday for interment at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery. A Celebration of Life will follow at the VFW Post 76, 10 Tenth St. off Broadway. The family would like to acknowledge his friend and physician, Dr. David Jimenez. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the immediate family to help pay the final costs.