



## Richard Thomas Leonard

May 8, 1924 - June 9, 2009

Richard T. Leonard  
Naval Aviation Analyst

Richard T. Leonard, 85, a retired naval aviation systems analyst died June 9 of heart failure in Easton, MD. Mr. Leonard served in the Marine Corps in WWII as a radio gunner/dive bomber in the South Pacific and was a member of the U.S. occupation force in Nagasaki, Japan following the atomic bombing. He was a member of the Marine Corps Reserve from 1946 to 1962, served in the Korean War, and was a longtime member of the Marine Corps League.

He was born in Philadelphia, graduated from West Philadelphia High School, and attended the University of Pennsylvania. He first came to Washington in 1948 as an oarsman with the Penn Athletic Club, where his 8-man crew won the President's Cup Regatta on the Potomac. Mr. Leonard moved to Washington in 1967 to work at Main Navy, which was located at that time on the National Mall. He retired from Naval Air Systems Command in 1979 after 37 years service with the federal government and subsequently worked as a consultant for Advanced Technology, Inc. in Crystal City until 1989.

Survivors include his wife of 59 years, Jane Clay Leonard; three children, Denise L. Jacklin of Poolesville, MD, John C. Leonard and Donna R. Leonard, both of San Francisco; sister, Rosemary Krier of Langhorn, PA; and three

grandchildren. One son, Richard Jr., died in 1959.

# Previous Events

## Service

JUN **16**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Michaels Mission Church  
109 Lincoln Avenue  
St. Michaels, MD

# Tribute Wall



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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



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January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



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January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM