



Frank Thomas Veselka

October 26, 1925 - October 26, 2013

Frank Thomas Veselka, 88 of El Campo, passed away on October 26, 2013. He was born on March 7, 1925 in Hillje, Texas to John F. and Rosalie Novosad Veselka.

He joined the U.S. Marine Corp in June 1944. He was proud of his military service particularly of being an Iwo Jima survivor. In 2000, he traveled to Washington DC for the 55th anniversary of Iwo Jima with his wife, Mildred, daughter Patsy Wells and grandson Marine John Matthew Wells. Frank worked at WCEC as a Groundsman and retired in 1987 after thirty years of service.

He is survived by his daughters Patsy Wells and husband John of George West, Joyce O'Connor and husband Arthur of Houston, Jane Petrie and husband Rodney of Katy; son David Veselka and wife Deborah of Houston; 9 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; sister Dorothy Tumis of Tomball; and special family friend Jane Heiman.

Frank was preceded in death by his parents, wife Mildred, sisters Mary Kallus and Annie Krejci; and brothers Johnny and Jerry Veselka.

Visitation will be from 9 – 10 am on Wednesday, October 30, 2013 at St. Philip Catholic Church with a Rosary being held at 9:30 am. Funeral Mass will follow

at 10 am with Reverend Michael Rother officiating. Entombment will be at Holy Cross Memorial Park with military honors under the auspices of the American Legion Post 251 and escorted by the Praire Switch Riders.

Pallbearers are James Wells, John Wells, Keith O'Connor, Drew Schiller, Melissa Petrie and Travis Petrie.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in memory of Frank may be made to American Legion Post 251.