KAUFMAN, LEO

1-9-14

KAUFMAN, LEO

86, of 430 Meshanticut Valley Pkwy., died Thursday, January 9, 2014 at Philip Hulitar Inpatient Center, Providence. Born in Providence, a son of the late Morris and Gertrude (Broomfield) Kaufman, he had lived in Warwick, then Florida for 41 years, before moving to Cranston in 2009. Leo served as a Navy Seabee during WW-II, stationed in Okinawa and China, and was a member of the Seabee Veterans of America. On September 28, 2013, he was thrilled to be among the largest contingent of veterans to be flown on The Honor Flight Network to Washington, D.C. to see the WWII Memorial.

He is survived by his beloved daughter, Meredith Kaufman Ricci; his grandsons, David G. and Michael J. Ricci; son-in-law, John M. Ricci; his brother, Melvin Kaufman; sister-in-law, Francine Kaufman, and many loving nieces and nephews. He was pre-deceased by his 7 siblings.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 12:00 noon in SHALOM MEMORIAL CHAPEL, 1100 New London Ave., Cranston. In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to Seabee Veterans of America, 189 School Street, North Kingstown, RI 02852 or the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66675. Shiva will be private.