# MR. JOSEPH LAWRENCE STEGALL, SR.

**May 07, 1924 - April 14, 2002**

**Birthplace:** St. Louis, Missouri
**Resided In:** St. Louis Missouri
**Visitation:** April 18, 2002
**Service:** April 19, 2002
**Cemetery:** National

**Joseph Lawrence Stegall, Sr.,** entered this life May 7, 1924 in St. Louis, Missouri to the union of Heber and Attis Gardner Stegall.

He was educated at Holy Angel's Elementary School and St. Joseph's High School. He entered the U.S. Marines on May 17, 1943, serving in the Asiatic Pacific area; Samoa; Ellice Island and the Hawaiian Islands. **Joseph** attained the rank of Private First Class. He received an Honorable Discharge on December 10, 1945.

**Joseph** retired after forty years of dedicated service with the U.S. Government, General Service Administration. A devout Catholic through the years, he was affiliated with Holy Angels Catholic Church of Kinlock, St. Alphonsus the Rock, St. Edward's Catholic Church and after the consolidation, St. Augustine Catholic Church for many decades.

He was united in Holy Matrimony to Ethel M. Bullock on November 22, 1947. This union was blessed with four children: Patricia, Joseph,Jr., Michele and Edgar. Together, **Joseph** and Ethel traveled the world.

**Joseph** was very active in community affairs. He was a member of the Board of Directors of St. Vincent DePaul Society, Catholic Charities and Catholic Family Services; Past President of the National Conference of St. Vincent DePaul; a member of the United Way of St. Louis; a Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus-Santa Cruz Counsel; Mont Forte Point Marine Corp Association and Consumer Credit Counseling Services.

He departed this life Sunday, April 14, 2002 in St. Louis, Missouri. His beloved wife, Ethel, preceded him in death February 6, 2002.

**Joseph Lawrence Stegall, Sr.,** leaves to cherish his memory: his children, Patricia Stegall Meredith, Joseph L. (Bridget) Stegall, Jr., Michele A. Stegall, and Edgar F. (Carolyn) Stegall; six grandchildren, Bridgett A., Natasha, Cameron, Joseph L.,III, Brittany and Kyra; two sisters; two brothers; one sister-in-law and many relatives and friends.