

IN MEMORIAM



Proud Marine: Joyce Koppes. She served her country faithfully during the Korean War in the Marine Corps, earning the rank of sergeant. We salute her as we can simply imagine the fortitude it took as a female in the *fifties* to endure the riggers of Marine boot camp. *Joyce, we salute you. God bless you and all your family. Sempiternum Fi.....*



Sergeant Joyce Koppes



A DAUGHTER SPEAKS

Some of my most vivid memories of my mother are associated with her love of the Marine Corps.

Mom was really proud of her service in the Marine Corps, and rightfully so. In order to join, she had to pass her high school GED and then survive boot camp at Paris Island. She did, and quickly attained the rank of sergeant. While in the Marine Corps and stationed at Camp Lejeune, she married my dad. She truly loved the Marine Corps and probably would have considered a career in the military had yours truly not become her discharge papers. sm