



TEAM DE LEON

Juan, Carlos & Angel DeLeon
1974 to Present

Juan was born August 17, 1966 in San Juan, Puerto Rico son of Carmen Candelario and Roberto Leon. He began boxing in 1973 and continued until 1984 by following his older brother Carlos "Sugar" DeLeon and completed 36-6 as a amateur fighter.

In 1990, Juan moved to Buffalo, New York and worked as a manager at a gas station. In 1993, he began coaching boxer's part time. While working as a manger at the gas station and coaching boxers part time, he started training his son Juan Carlos and himself to lose weight. There was a small group of young guys that were looking up to his son that attended the Boys and Girls club, he was inspired and started to help them learn the sport of Boxing. He gave them advice to stay humble and stay out of trouble. In 1995, Juan moved to North West Buffalo Community Center and worked as a volunteer boxing coach. He helped several boxers reach their goals as a LBC tournament champions, runner up and some of them even made it to the National Level.

Carlos DeLeon, also known as "Sugar" De Leon (born May 3, 1959), is a former Puerto Rican boxer who made history by becoming the first Cruiserweight to win the world title twice. Subsequently, he kept breaking his own record for the most times as Cruiserweight champion by regaining it twice more. Today, he concentrates on helping the career of his son Carlos DeLeon, Jr. who has defeated Leon Spinks, S.T. Gordon, Yaqui Lopez and Marvin Camel.

Angel DeLeon is the father of 6 beautiful children, he started boxing at the age of 14, following his older brother Carlos. As an amateur boxer he registered 69 fights finishing with a 58 W - 11 L record and represented Puerto Rico's international Team.

Angel became a professional boxer in 1986, he had a 2 W - 0 L - 1 KO record where he was known for his double hooks.. His illnesses forced him to stop boxing.

He left Puerto Rico for Chicago and spent 6 years there where he was the assistant coach for George Hernandez, working with little kids at the Hombul Park gym.

In 1999 Angel moved to Buffalo to be part of Team Mesi and resided here since then.

He is married to Waleska Candelario, a wonderful woman and supports him in everything he does. Angel has always been a powerful inspiration since he became a part of our team. He actually completes our families togetherness and commitment to Boxing.

Ring #44 is proud to induct Juan, Carlos and Angel as Team DeLeon into the Buffalo Veteran Boxers Hall of Fame.

