Bob Cochran

His Legacy… Bob was born in Palermo, California on June 18, 1928 to Lillian Lulu (nee Messerli) and Norman Howard Cochran. He was the fourth of five children and is preceded in death by his brothers, Ivan Earl and Wayne Howard, his sister Betty Belle Simmons, his daughter, Nancy Ann Warren, and grandson, Joshua Foley. His older sister, Ruby May Lewis resides in Chico, Ca. Bob was raised in Oroville, attended Burbank Elementary and graduated from Oroville High School in 1946. After graduation he began working for Santa Cruz Fruit Packing Company on Pine Street and after six months of employment decided to go to work for Pacific Telephone and Telegraph as a slicer's helper. He enjoyed a career with the company for 35 years. In his earlier years, he was an avid fisherman and hunter, often taking his children and grandchildren with him in the early morning hours to troll Lake Oroville. He had been a member of Toastmasters and the Elks Lodge. He had a “green thumb” in the garden and enjoyed sharing his home grown veggies with family and friends. He loved his dogs and pampering his little schnauzer, Daisy. Most of all Bob loved sports; was a faithful Dodgers fan, played softball as a catcher, bowled many years and frequently attended grandchildren's sporting events. Robert E. Cochran, 83, died at his home in Oroville, California on January 16, 2012.

His Family… Bob's had three living children from a previous marriage, Robert E. Jr., William H, and Melanie Ruth Deets. His marriage to Marilyn L. Newton joined her five children, Carole E. Foley, Craig S, Newton, Noel Newton III, Roger F. Newton and Cathleen A. Papa. He is also survived by twenty-three grandchildren and seventeen great-grandchildren.

His Farewell Service … Services will be Saturday, January 28, 2012 at Ramsey Funeral Home, 1175 Robinson Street at 11a.m. In lieu of flowers, donations would be appreciated by Northwest Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (S.P.C.A.) or to the Salvation Army. Arrangements are entrusted to Ramsey Funeral Home 530-534-3877.