His Legacy… Charles W. Grassl Jr. (Charlie) was born on July 26, 1921 in Portland, Oregon to Charles and Anne Grassl. He passed away on December 7, 2013 in Oroville, California. Charlie was a proud father; grandfather, brother, uncle and friend to many. He grew up in Inglewood, California. He served in the 124th Infantry (Dixie) Division in the Pacific during WWII, and came home a decorated First Sergeant. After the war, Charlie was a contractor and plumbing business owner in El Segundo before moving to Palermo. He lived in Palermo for over 50 years raising animals, orchard crops, and gardening. Passionate about all he did, Charlie loved sharing his life. Whether he was fishing in the ocean or mountain rivers, camping, hunting, water skiing or sailing, he always made it fun for all whom he inspired to join him. The community benefited from his enthusiasm and resourcefulness as a member of the Palermo Volunteer Fire Department helping to organize parades and field days. Fostering a love for sailing, he was a founding member of the Butte Sailing Club and a past leader in the Lake Oroville Yacht Club. A 60 year member of the United Association of Journeyman and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry, he taught many apprentices the trade and upheld the standards of quality and safety that he represented.

His Family… Charlie is survived by his sisters, Anne Davidson and Mary Ellen Rutter; his children, Elana Needles (Nelson Wheeler); Ron (Carol) Grassl; Sally (Pat) Kane and Charles (Kelly Jo) Grassl; step children, Patsy (Ray) Hindman; Phillip White; and 12 grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his step daughter Deborah Miller.