James “Jim” Gordon Hill, age 85, died June 18, 2015. He was the son of Gordon and Leonora Hill, and was a lifelong resident of Oroville. He graduated from Oroville High School in 1947, and attended the University of California at Berkeley for two years. Jim then returned to work in the family business, Hill Furniture, until it closed in 1988. He also served on the Oroville Elementary School Board for 12 years and on the Butte County Board of Education for 8 years. Jim worked vigorously to promote the community of Oroville. He was president of the Jr. Chamber of Commerce, the Jaycees and was active in the Downtown Merchants Association working to revitalize downtown Oroville. Jim loved Oroville and the Feather River. He was an avid canoer and fisherman, always stalking the elusive steelhead. He had “his” island on the river. Wilma and Jim enjoyed the coast, camping, RVing, and spending time at their beach house in Morro Bay. Fresh crab and wine enhanced their experiences! Jim also loved bird watching and feeding the finches in his backyard. Jim loved his shih tzu Molly, who will miss him very much. Jim is survived by his wife of 35 years, Wilma Stephens Hill, his children Kathryn Hill, Sally Bailey, Tom Hill, Jane Fossgreen and Anthony Hill, stepdaughters, Alisa Jones Stephens, Mary Stephens Bell, and Martha A. Braaten, 18 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren. Jim is preceded in death by his parents, his brothers Richard Hill Sr., Merlyn Hill and Clifford Hill and an infant son David Hill. A Memorial Service will be held on Friday, June 26, 2015 at 3:00 PM at Foothill Community Church Oroville, California with private burial. If desired, memorial contributions may be made to the Northwest SPCA, 2787 S. Fifth Ave. Oroville, CA 95965.