Leslie Damon Sylva was born on February 27, 1926 in Oroville, California to Eugene & Genevieve Sylva. He entered into rest on November 6, 2009 in Oroville, California. Leslie served his country in the United States Navy during World War II. Leslie worked for the Department of Water Resource as a maintenance engineer for 27 years. A lifetime resident of Oroville Leslie was a member of the Eagles FOE 196 for 60 years, was a member of the VFW, at one time he was also a volunteer firefighter. He owned and operated Sylva’s market on Table Mountain for 12 years up to 1963. He raised cattle locally and ran the chain for Oroville High School Football for 31 years. His hobbies included fishing, hunting, playing golf; he watched all sports, loved to dance and loved his cats. Leslie will be remembered by family & friends as an outgoing, caring, honest, loving person who took every opportunity to live life to its fullest and made sure everyone he met had a good time.

Leslie is survived by his wife Jan Michl-Sylva of Oroville, CA; his sons Larry (Kathy) Sylva of Martinez, CA; Dennis (Jolene) Sylva of Oroville, CA; Bradley (Toni) Sylva of Oroville, CA; 10 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Leslie was preceded in death by his brother Eugene Sylva, his parents and his first wife Betty Sylva in 1989.

A Viewing will be held on Wednesday November 11, 2009 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM at Ramsey Funeral Home 1175 Robinson St. Oroville. A Funeral will be held on Thursday November 12, 2009 at 11:00 AM at Ramsey Funeral Home with burial to follow at Memorial Park Cemetery. A reception will follow at the Western Pacific Brewing (The Depot) at 2191 High St. Oroville. Arrangements have been entrusted to Ramsey Funeral Home 530-534-3877.