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Phillip De Forest Newell September 25, 1919 - May 25, 2002

Born near Newberg, Oregon, September 25, 1919 - passed peacefully at his home with family and friends by his side May 25, 2002. Phil Newell, "Grandpa", was a very loved and treasured man who touched so many lives, and will be missed by so many.

After being raised farming and logging, Phil went to serve in World War II in the Army as a Captain in the 96th Infantry, again, returning to service in the Korean War.

Phil married Cora "Pat" Wutke, spending 43 wonderful years together. Phil worked in many trades, eventually starting his own business, Newell Tile Co., in Walnut Creek, CA where he worked successfully for many years until his retirement. After retiring, he relocated to Willits, CA where he built a wonderful home overlooking his lake. Phil was a prominent and active member of our community for many years, including being a member and past president of Rotary and was a recipient of the Paul Harris Fellowship.

Phil was preceded in death by both his son, David, and his wife, Pat. Phil is survived by his daughter Joanie Stephen of Kona, HI, granddaughter Karen Marks, Dan Bishop and great-granddaughter Kayla Marks of Willits, Phyllis Newell, Rex Newell, Sandra Zimmer, Carolyn Filsinger and Dennis Dodge, all of Oregon, and Julie Cole of Santa Rosa.

Memorial services will be held May 31, 4:00 p.m. at Anker-Lucier Mortuary in Willits and at Hull's Walnut Creek Chapel on Sunday, June 2 at 3:00 p.m. Memorial donations to either Parkinson's Foundation or Alzheimer's Association. Thank you.