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**T**rafford Herbert Coel Resident of Belmont, passed away on March 25 2011 Herb Coel was born to Molly and Charles in 1924 as one of 4 children, siblings Eileen, Robert and Doreen, and grew up in Burlingame where he graduated from Burlingame High School. Later, he attended CSM for 1 year before joining the Army Signal Core basic training in New Jersey. It was there that he met his wife, Mary, on a blind date. Mary wrote Herb at least once a week during the year and a half that he was away. Midday on June 6 1944, he landed on Omaha Beach. For the remainder of the war, he served with Signal Core in Patton's Third Army. At the end of his duty, he held the rank of Tech Sergeant. Herb spent 37 years in Pacific Telephone Company, many of them with Design Services and he belonged to the telephone pioneers. Herb is survived by his loving wife, Mary, his two sons Jack and Chuck, several grandchildren and great grandchildren. He is predeceased by his daughter, Molly. Interment will take place on Monday April 25th 2011 at 12:30pm at Skylawn Memorial Park. A memorial service will follow St. Paul's Church, 415 El Camino Real, Burlingame on Monday April 25th 2011 at 2:30pm.



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