Charles B. Gallagher, 83

Tharles B. Gallagher, age 83, of Sylmar Calif., and formerly of Brooklyn, died Sunday, Nov. 14, 2010, in California. Mass of Christian burial was held at 11 a.m., Tuesday, Nov. 23, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Brooklyn, with Fr. Philip Ryan officiating. Burial was at Mount Calvary Cemetery with military honors conducted by the Brooklyn American Legion Post #294. Kloster Funeral Home, Brooklyn, was in charge of arrangements.

He is survived by a daughter, Katherine Gallagher, of North Hills, Calif.; two grandchildren, Jessica and Patrick Gallagher of Rancho Cucamunga, Calif.; and two great-grandchildren, Alexandra and Chandler Gallagher. Also surviving are a longtime companion, Barbara Burns, of Sylmar, Calif., two sisters, Leota Schwers of Hiawatha, and Agnes Irving of Kootenia, Idaho; and a sister-in-law, Faye Gallagher, of Brooklyn.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Rosemary Schmitz Gallagher, in 1978; two sons, Charles, Jr. and Patrick; two brothers, Francis and Raphael Gallagher;

and a sister, Monica Jarboe.

Charles Bernard Gallagher was born Jan. 15, 1927, in Brooklyn, the son of Patrick and Susanna Hauersperger Gallagher. He graduated from BGM High School in 1945 and served in the U.S. Army. He married Rosemary Schmitz on Oct. 2, 1954, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grinnell. In the late 1950s the couple moved to California. Charles was employed as a plumber for many years. He was a member of the VFW Post #6213 in Sylmar, Calif.

Online condolences may be extended to the family at www.klosterfuneralhome.com.