1932 - 2014 DORSET, VT. Charles "Buzz" Eichel Esq., of Morse Hill Road, passed away on the afternoon of Dec. 25, 2014. Buzz was born in 1932, to Jacob and Ruth Eichel of Brooklyn, N.Y. He attended Fort Hamilton High in Brooklyn, graduated from Williams College in 1954 and then graduated from New York University School of Law in 1957. He passed the New York Bar exam in 1959 and went on to join the Florida and Vermont Bar. He sat for many years on the board of The Boys Athletic League for underprivileged youth in NYC, and was a founding member of Ethan Allen Community College in 1975. As many in Southern Vermont know, he enjoyed a thriving law practice in Manchester for over 50 years. While the Law was his profession, Buzz balanced his life with his passions for skiing, fly fishing, and antiques. An avid skier at a young age out of New York City, Buzz taught skiing in upstate NY and Vermont, and went on to lead innumerable ski excursions to Canada, Colorado, France, Austria, and Italy. In 1968 he bought his ski rental in South Dorset, VT, where he located his family in 1974. Buzz joined the Bromley Ski Patrol in the late 1960's and enjoyed being part of Bromley scene for over five decades. Last year he served yet again as the nation's oldest active Ski Patrol member. In fly fishing, Buzz found both peace and excitement. He enjoyed the Florida Keys for the beauty of tarpon and bonefish, the Goodnews in Alaska for giant salmon and steelhead, and his back yard on the Battenkill, where he fished for lunch. He was a founding member of Fly Fishing Magazine, and is a Trustee Emeriti of the American Museum of Fly Fishing. Antique collecting and trade round out his passions. An original picker, Buzz went to every flea market and auction in Southern Vermont and acquired a collection to fill his first shop, the old blacksmith barn on Route 30. With his wife, Annaick, and his sister, Lila he attended annual antique shows in Brimfield, MA and in the English Midlands. He and Annaick own Owls Head Antiques in the Green Mountain Shopping Center in Manchester. Buzz had a great sense of humor accompanied by a deep affection for observation, history, and wit. He held an great love for Vermont and had a profound respect for his friends, clients, and peers. His ongoing sense of optimism was well suited to his profession and his hobbies; there was always a fish about to strike. His family would like to express their gratitude for all the support and well-wishes given from his community during his difficult illness. From get-well cards, to visits and prayers, to a never-ending supply of chicken soup, all was appreciated. Buzz, as always, was quick with a joke to the end, and his keen intellect served him to his last. He knew of, and appreciated, the kindness. Charles Eichel leaves his wife, Annaick Eichel of Dorset, his daughter, Dana Eichel of Pawlet, his son, James Eichel and his wife, Laura of Oakland, CA, and their mother, Adele Eichel of Danby; his sister, Lila Green and her husband, Warren of Ashland, MA, and niece, Susan Trivelpiece of Ramona, CA, and nephew, Douglas green of Memphis, TN; his step-daughter, Shawna Snyder and her husband, Ted of Herndon, VA, and his step-daughter, Colleen Travis and her husband, Felipe Arguello of Brooklyn, NY, and four grandchildren whom he spoke of fondly and frequently. Our lives are richer for having known him. There will be no services, however, all are invited to pay their respects to the family at the Brewster Funeral Home on Saturday, January 17, 2015 from 2 to 4 pm.

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