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It is with a heavy heart that we announce the passing of Joseph James Attinello. Joe was born on May 23, 1936, Easton, Pennsylvania to Samuel and Margaret Attinello. Joe attended schools in Phillisburg, New Jersey, then on to Parks College in St Louis, MO graduating in 1957 with a degree in aeronautical engineering- all with a slide rule! Upon graduation, he was hired by Lockheed in Burbank, CA. His career continued a year later to North American Aviation (Rocketdyne Division) where he worked for 35 years. During that time at Rocketdyne, Joe worked on the Apollo, Space shuttle, and laser projects contributing greatly to their success. He was married to the love of his life, Barbara Thacker, in 1980 and they have over forty years of wonderful marriage. They travelled frequently to many countries having fun in his retirement years. Joe Blessed those who came into contact with him with his great intelligence but humble nature. Thoughtful, kind, and caring Joe inspired many. His hobbies included golfing, gardening, and many various projects. He attended St. Josephs Catholic Church in Cayucos and was a past member of the Morro Bay Mens Golf Club. He leaves behind his loving wife Barbara: Brother Sam Attinello and family; Sister Margaret and family; with many nieces, nephews, and a large circle of friends. He will be greatly missed.

Previous Events

Burial

JUL 1. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

Cayucos Morro Bay Cemetery District
2451 Ocean Blvd
Cayucos, CA 93430