



Mr. John Kelly Pitkethly Sr.

April 8, 1937 - March 31, 2025

John Kelly Pitkethly, Sr., 87, of Satellite Beach, passed away peacefully in his sleep at home the morning of March 31, 2025. A memorial mass will take place at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church on Friday April 25, 2025 at 11:00 (10:30 visitation) with a reception to follow at Lou's Blues Bar & Grill. Born in South Bend, Indiana on April 8, 1937, John graduated from Brevard Engineering College (later renamed Florida Institute of Technology) with a Masters Degree in Physics. He worked on the USNS Vandenberg missile range instrument ship for RCA, and later at ENSCO, Inc. for 25 years where he retired as Vice President of the ARS Division. John loved aviation and spent several years building his own plane out of his garage. An avid golfer, John would relax after a day on the links with a cigar and whiskey shared with friends. He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 57 years, Rose. He is survived by his older brother, David, his children David, Scott, and John, Jr., daughter-in-law Olivia, and grandchildren John, III and Sabrina. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 25. 10:30 AM (ET)

Holy Name of Jesus - Catholic Community
Indialantic, FL 32903

Mass

APR 25. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Indialantic, FL 32903

Tribute Wall

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“ I remember the fun and laughter we shared at John's mother's house in Melbourne Bch. He always had a funny joke or story to tell. Sitting on her back porch sipping on a delicious drink and nibbling on yummy snacks made the day better no matter what was going on. Both John and Rose always made you feel welcome. I remember when John gave Rose a chain saw for Christmas and that thrilled her and gave me a good laugh. What a special couple they were. Two intelligent, interesting , good hearted people who will be sorely missed .

Barbara Kucera

Barbara Kucera - April 07, 2025 at 12:46 PM

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Thank you Barbara for sharing the memories.

David Pitkethly - April 07, 2025 at 02:48 PM