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## Arif Yar Khan



July 8, 1935 - November 30, 2023

Mr. Arif Yar Khan, 88, died peacefully at John Muir hospital in Walnut Creek surrounded by family. Arif was born in Dehradun, India and migrated to Pakistan in 1947 with his family. He received his Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering in Pakistan, and then won a Pakistan Petroleum Ltd. scholarship to study Mechanical Engineering at Loughborough University in the United Kingdom.

Arif was part of the senior management team at Sui Gas Transmission Company Limited in Pakistan. After being hired by Williams Brothers he relocated to Tulsa, Oklahoma. His career spanned over fifty-eight years as his expertise in oil and gas exploration, natural gas processing plants, and pipeline design was always in demand worldwide. For Williams Brothers, and later the Fluor Corporation, he managed multi-national, multi-million-dollar projects in Canada, Colombia, Iran, Peru, Russia, Saudi Arabia, and Turkey. He truly enjoyed his career, learning every aspect of it; he even received an Arctic Engineering certification from the University of Alaska. Although Arif traveled extensively because of his career he returned to Moraga after his retirement because he loved its semi-rural "vibe". He always hoped it would not be aggressively developed like other East Bay cities.

Aside from his dedication to his career, Arif will be remembered by his family and friends for his immeasurable generosity, kindness, and sincerity. Although he lost his mother when he was only seven years old, he was very close to his father who died battling cancer when Arif was 18 years old. After graduating from college, Arif supported his siblings for many years as a promise to his father. Besides his love of engineering, Arif was gifted in telling dramatic stories, learning languages and singing; he greatly enjoyed the arts, history, and soccer. He was genuinely religious. His family and friends miss him dearly - every day.

He is survived by his wife, Kaiser, and his children Nabeela (Faheem), Erum, Omar (Uzma), and Obaid (Sophia), as well as five grandchildren, and four siblings.

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