



## John Eric McGovney

October 15, 2010

SURFSIDE BEACH-. John Eric Mc Govney, age 64 of Surfside Beach Club and formerly of Seaside Park, NJ, died Friday, October 15, 2010 at his home. Mr. Mc Govney was born October 22, 1945 in Defiance, OH, a son of the late Richard Wesley and Hazel Mc Govney, direct descendent of James Eric Mc Govney, a silversmith of Belfast, Ireland, immigrated to the USA in 1750. John was a US Army Veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an instrument rated pilot and license4d helicopter pilot. His hobbies included flying his own plane back in the day, an avid surf fisherman, billiards, marksman pistol and shotgun, ham radio and astronomy. He was a member of the sons of Italy, Surfside Beach Club, Coastal Sports Shooting Range, and Ham Radio Club of Horry County. He was a former corporate executive of Perkin Elmer and retired president of his own systems development company. Projects include but not limited to development of a telecommunications system for South Africa under then president Nelson Mandela and various video games still played in amusement venues worldwide. John was renowned worldwide for his expertise and has been written up in technical magazines all over the world. John is survived by his beloved wife; Rosemary Heinz-Mc Govney and his darling shitzu, Stanzi. A Memorial Mass will be held at 1P.M. Friday, October 22, 2010 at St. Michael Catholic Church with Fr. Ray Carlo officiating. Memorials may be made to Mercy Hospice 8216 Devon Ct. Myrtle Beach, SC 29572. An online guest book may be signed at [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com). Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of arrangements.



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