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Jim was born in Nashua, New Hampshire to Gabriel and Maria Espinola. He spent the majority of his youth in Lowell, Massachusetts before he signed to play professional baseball in the Milwaukee Braves organization. While playing in the minor leagues for the Boise Braves, Jim pitched to his future famous battery mate Bob Uecker. His professional baseball career interrupted by the Korean War, Jim played for the US Army baseball team that toured Japan in 1952 and '53. Many Northern Californians will remember Jim for his many years working as a sales man-ager for Teichert Construction. Jim is preceded in death by Joanne, his loving wife of 61 years who passed away on June 14, 2017. Jim and Joanne spent their retirement years in their motorhome leisurely attending sporting events then moving on to any place they felt like visiting. A special thanks to the extremely competent and caring staff at Sutter Hospital Roseville and Sutter Hospice for their compassionate care of Jim at the end of his life. Jim will be sorely missed by family and friends.

"Hey dear friend. You were one of the good guys. Always..."

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