



It is with great sadness that we must announce that our friend and colleague James R. Beattie, 85, of Montvale, NJ, passed away on Memorial Day, May 31st, 2021. Jim is survived by his beloved wife of 59 years Irene (nee Jacq); his children James III and Janice; and his adoring grandchildren Caitlin, Brian, James Mawdsley and Jennifer Mawdsley as well as his niece and nephews Catherine Dolan, Thomas Dolan and David Dolan. He is predeceased by his sister Barbara Dolan.

Jim was born in Passaic, NJ and raised in Clifton, NJ. Upon graduating high school, Jim went on to graduate Rutgers University in 1957 with a Bachelors degree in Economics. In 1960, he obtained his LLB from the University of Notre Dame. Jim served in the Army National Guard immediately following college. It was there that he met Ralph Padovano, his future law partner of 38 years. Jim started his own practice in 1961 and Ralph joined him in 1970. Jim was very active in the community, belonging to the Tri-Boro Ambulance Corps Board Of Directors, Park Ridge Rotary, Greater Montvale Business Assoc., Montvale Athletic League, St. Joseph High School Board of Consultants, Bergen Community College Foundation, Judicial Selection Committee, Bergen County Bar Assoc., Hackensack Hospital Foundation, Hillcrest Health Services System, Commerce & Industry Assoc. of NJ, Foundation for Free Enterprise, Academic Decathlon, March Of Dimes, American Health Assoc., Montvale Republican Club, Bergen 2000 Club and Focus Bergen. Jim loved spending his summers with his family on the beach in Brigantine, NJ. He also was an avid NY Giants and Notre Dame Fighting Irish sports fan.

Memorial contributions can be made in James Beattie's name to the University Of Notre Dame Law School @ [Giveto.ND.Edu/law-fund](https://Giveto.ND.Edu/law-fund) or Hackensack University Medical Center Foundation @ [HackensackUMC.Org/Donate](https://HackensackUMC.Org/Donate)