

# IN MEMORIAM

**SUNDER H. ADVANI**  
1941-1993

It is with utmost regret that I inform the ASME family and the readership of this journal of the untimely death of Dr. Sunder H. Advani.

Sunder H. Advani was born in Hyderabad, India on August 10, 1941. After receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering with First Class Honors at Bombay University in 1961, he enrolled at Stanford University where he received a Master of Science degree in 1962 and Doctor of Philosophy in Mechanical Engineering in 1965. Following graduation, he was a Senior Research Engineer and Member of the Technical Staff in the Biodynamics Laboratory at Northrop Corporation until 1967, when he joined the faculty of the Department of Mechanical Engineering and Mechanics at West Virginia University. In 1978, he moved to The Ohio State University as Professor and Chairman of the Department of Engineering Mechanics. He also served as Associate Dean of Engineering at Ohio State from 1984 until 1992, when he assumed the positions of Dean of the College of Engineering and Applied Science and Professor of Mechanical Engineering and Mechanics at Lehigh University. He served in these capacities until his untimely death on November 3, 1993.

Sunder was a respected teacher, scholar, researcher, and administrator. He maintained his teaching, advising of graduate students, and research while serving in his administrative positions. He authored or co-authored more than 130 technical publications. He was the recipient of the ASEE George Westinghouse Award in 1985. Sunder was a Fellow of both the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the American Academy of Mechanics. He served as Associate Editor of this journal and two others: *Rock Mechanics* and the *ASME Journal of Offshore Mechanics and Arctic Engineering*.

Sunder Advani is survived by his wife Mona, his daughter Anjali, and his son Sunil, as well as many professional and personal friends within and outside ASME. Personally, I have lost an outstanding colleague, a true supporter of scholarship, and an exceptional member of my editorial board for six years. I shall miss Sunder very much.

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