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Civic leader, physician Anthony Allegrini dies

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SANTA CRUZ — Funeral services will be Monday for Anthony E. "Chick" Allegrini, 75, physician and civic leader who died Friday after a short illness.

Born in San Jose, Dr. Allegrini attended Bellarmine Prep school and Santa Clara University, and also took work at Stanford University and the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota.

Dr. Allegrini moved to Santa Cruz in 1937. He was instrumental in the development of Dominican Hospital and served that facility as its first chief of staff. During World War II, Dr. Allegrini was a physician in the Navy and was at Guadalcanal with the second Marines. He contacted malaria there and returned to the U.S.

After his convalescence, Dr. Allegrini was named Pacific Coast director of the Army-Navy Whole Blood Program which collected and shipped blood to U.S. troops stationed in the South Seas. He was discharged from the Navy in late 1945 with the rank of lieutenant commander.

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Dr. Allegrini was active in a number of civic organizations and was president of the Santa Cruz Chamber of Commerce in 1941. He was a division leader of the United Way fund raising group, a member of the Board of Regents of the University of Santa Clara and a director of County Bank for 27 years.

He also was past president of the Santa Cruz Host Lions Club. In 1951, Dr. Allegrini built the Santa Cruz Medical Center on Mission Street. He was active in several major real estate developments in the County. Dr. Allegrini was an avid golfer and hunter and was a member of Holy Cross Catholic Church.

He is survived by his wife, Estelle Dr. Allegrini of Santa Cruz; three daughters, Kay de Groot of Bangkok, Thailand, Toni Murphy of Sacramento, and Patty Carter of Seattle; a sister, Emma Dr. Allegrini of Santa Cruz and seven grandchildren.

Services will be at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 435 Monterey Avenue, Capitola, at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. Dr. Allegrini's ashes will be scattered at sea.

Contributions to the American Cancer Society or Dominican Hospital, 1555 Soquel Drive, Santa Cruz, are preferred.