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A PLAQUE DEDICATION FOR THE LATE RICHARD "DICK" KELLETT IS SET FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 25TH IN FRONT OF 410 RUE ST. FRANCOIS BEFORE THE START OF THE FIRST WEDNESDAY NIGHT OUT FESTIVITIES "PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN"

The City of Florissant along with Florissant Old Town Partners is please to host a plaque dedication in honor of **the late Richard "Dick" Kellett.** This will be the 49th Walk Through History plaque for someone who has made a valuable contribution to the City of Florissant and/or someone with Florissant roots who has had an impact on our community. The ceremony will be held on Wednesday, May 25th at 5:30 p.m. in front of 410 rue St. Francois. This will take place before the start of the first Wednesday Night Out festivities "**Proud To Be An American**" which will start at 6:00 p.m. and is hosted by the VFW Post 4105 and sponsored by CnB STL Bank and Goldkamp Heating & Cooling. The 1st Marine Division will be grilling BBQ for purchase and there will be live entertainment from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Dick proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Korean War. He was a long-time pipefitter and business agent for Plumbers & Pipefitter Local 562. Dick had retired as the longest-running president of the North County Labor Club which was one of the most effective labor clubs in the state. Under Dick's leadership, the North County Labor Club has been the go-to organization for politicians hoping to be elected or re-elected in North St. Louis County voting districts. He was very influential and active with political campaigns, civic endeavors, Daily World Missionaries, White House retreats and was an usher at the St. Rose Philippine Duchesne Catholic Church. He loved his time with the "Sunshine Boys", the pursuit of goals on behalf of his union brothers and sisters, but most importantly he loved spending his time with his family. Dick Kellett will always be remembered as North County's Labor Ambassador.