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THE CITY OF FLORISSANT AND NORTH COUNTY MOURNS THE LOST OF ONE OF ITS GREAT TRUE LABOR AMBASSADORS RICHARD "DICK" KELLETT



Richard "Dick" Kellett

Richard "Dick" Kellett passed away at his home in Florissant on Sunday, February 16, 2020. He was 85 years old. He leaves behind his love of his life for 63 years Kathleen and their beloved children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, uncle, great-uncle, brother-in-law, cousin and friend too many.

In 2015 after serving 29 years, Dick retired as the President of the North County Labor Legislative Club where he was active with political campaigns, civic endeavors, Daily World Missionaries, White House Retreats. He was a pipefitter and business agent of Plumbers and Pipefitters Local 562. He loved his time with the "Sunshine Boys", the pursuit of goals on behalf of his union brothers and sisters, but most especially he loved time and events spent with his family.

Richard proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Korean War before returning home to start setting his roots in Florissant. Dick and his wife Kathleen raised their entire family in Florissant. Dick was Florissant and dedicated himself to make a good life for his family. Dick was very active with St. Rose Philippine Duchesne Catholic Church. He loved everything about the Florissant community. Family, community and friends were his passion in life.

While heading the North County Labor Legislative Club he sent a perennial message: Get involved in issues that mirror the face of labor. Dick was driven and determined to get out the vote and bring positive change for working men and women.

Hundreds of elected officials owe their seats to the support of North County union members who beat the pavement going door-to-door campaigning, put signs on their lawns and talking to their friends and neighbors about the importance of voting and the reasons to vote for a particular candidate. They got all the information they needed from Kellett and the North County Labor Club. Dick has done so much for labor and politics, and he's done a lot of community work as well. His legacy will never be forgotten and he will be truly missed.

Funeral Arrangements:

Visitation Hutchens Mortuary & Cremation Center

675 Graham Road Florissant, MO 63031 Wednesday 2/19, 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Mass

St. Rose Philippine Duchesne Catholic Church 1210 Paddock Drive Florissant, MO 63033 Thursday 2/20, 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Cemetery

Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery 2900 Sheridan St. Louis, MO 63125 Thursday 2/20, 12:30 pm - 12:45 pm