Richard P. Farrell


A Memorial Mass will be held on Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. at St. Cecelia Catholic Church, Algona, with his brother, Father Emmet Farrell, officiating. Inurnment will follow at Calvary Cemetery, Algona. His family will greet friends one hour prior to the Mass at the Church on Wednesday. Oakcrest Funeral Services of Algona in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be made to www.oakcrestfuneralservices.com.

Richard Patrick Farrell was born April 7, 1941, in Emmetsburg, son of Vernes and Genevieve Higgins Farrell. Richard married Jean Becker on May 1, 1965, at St. Cecelia Catholic Church in Algona.

He obtained his B.S. degree in business from Wayne State in 1969. He began his sales career with Kresge's beginning in Sioux City and then in Mason City. He then worked 24 years for GTE as a sales manager in Grinnell and later in Bloomington, Ill., earning numerous sales awards.

After retirement, he and Jean moved to Algona and later to Tiptonka.

He is survived by his wife Jean of Algona; four children, Renee Farrell of Tiptonka, Carrie Farrell-Martinez of Houston, Texas, Shawn Farrell of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Ryan Farrell of Grimes; seven grandchildren; and three brothers and two sisters.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Patrick Thomas Farrell; and two brothers, Tom and Jerry Farrell.