



Richard John Fitzgerald

January 3, 1936 - March 8, 2026

Richard "Dick" J. Fitzgerald, age 90, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, passed away peacefully on March 8, 2026, at Longwood at Oakmont Retirement Community. Dick was preceded in death by his sons, John and Timothy. He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Patricia and their children Richard (Cathy), Kathleen (Art Rowland), Dennis (Kathleen) and Kevin (Amy Kunkle). The great pride of his life was his 14 grandchildren, Jocelyn, Erin, Caroline, Tanner, Madeline, Louisa, Mara, Jackson, Aidan, Emma, Connor, Megan, Maren, and Joshua, and great-grandchildren, Nellie, Finn, and Theodore. Dick was also preceded in death by his parents, Milton and Mary, brothers James, William, Patrick, and Robert, and is survived by his sister Marilyn, Geraldine (Jones), and Edward.

Dick was a successful businessman, founding Fitzgerald Associates, a Manufacturer's representative company for plumbing products, in 1964 and retiring the company in 1994. Dick was a hardworking salesman who taught himself the plumbing business. If you ever see an ELKAY drinking fountain in a hospital, office building, or other commercial space in Western Pennsylvania, Dick was the one who sold it. He was a Board Member of Allegheny Valley Bank and spent his early retirement years volunteering at SCORE, a local non-profit focused on counseling entrepreneurs and small business startups in the Pittsburgh area. He was also very proud of an award he received from the Central Blood Bank in 2002 for donating in excess of 215 units of whole blood and 79 units to the apheresis program over many years.

Dick and Pat were also long-time members at Edgewood Country Club and were avid golfers (he has two holes-in-one on his resume), bowlers, and platform tennis players. He was also a devoted Pittsburgh sports fan, attending numerous significant moments in the City's sports history.

As per Dick's wishes, there will be no viewing.

Friends and family will be received on Sunday, March 22, 2026, from 10-11 AM, followed by a brief memorial service at Longwood in Oakmont, 500 Route 909, Verona, PA.

Professional services entrusted to Thomas M. Smith Funeral Home & Crematory Ltd; 930 Center Avenue Blawnox, PA, 15238; www.thomasmsmithfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Gathering of family and friends

MAR 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Longwood at Oakmont
500 Coxcomb Hill Rd
Verona, PA 15147

Memorial Service

MAR 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

ME

“ Dear Pat (Patsy) and family. What a wonderful person Dick was. I remember him being kind and thoughtful. He always asked how I was doing and focused on others. Please accept my condolences. Love to all. Mary Lou Mangold Einloth.

Mary Lou Mangold Einloth - March 22 at 05:46 PM



“ Dick was the favorite cousin of my mom, Mary Lou Fitzgerald Domenick. He was a true gentleman and a great guy. Deepest condolences from me & Rosie to Pat, Rich, Dennis, Kevin, their families and all of the Fitzgeralds. Jeff Domenick

Jeff Domenick - March 22 at 05:12 PM

RF

“ Rob, Laurie, Dylan and Will Fitzgerald purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Richard John Fitzgerald.



Rob, Laurie, Dylan and Will Fitzgerald - March 20 at 02:02 PM

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“ Rob, Laurie, Dylan and Will Fitzgerald planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard John Fitzgerald.

Rob, Laurie, Dylan and Will Fitzgerald - March 20 at 02:02 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Richard John Fitzgerald.*



March 20 at 09:05 AM



“ *Jim L. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard John Fitzgerald.*

Jim L. - March 17 at 10:18 AM



“ *Rich, Our Deepest Sympathy is extended to you and your Family. Your Father lived "A life Well-lived".
Jim & Rosemary Lombardi*

Jim Lombardi - March 17 at 10:17 AM



“ *John K. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard John Fitzgerald.*

John K. - March 17 at 07:08 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Richard John Fitzgerald.*



March 12 at 11:47 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard John Fitzgerald.

March 12 at 11:47 AM



“ *Patsy, thinking of you and your family. Dick was a class guy. Gail Mangold*

Gail - March 11 at 08:04 PM