



## Richard John Ely

November 18, 1937 - March 24, 2018

Richard J. "Dick" Ely age 80 of Amboy died Saturday March 24, 2018 at OSF St Paul Medical Center in Mendota following a sudden illness. He was born Nov. 18, 1937 in Henry, IL the son of Olen and Hilda (Neuhalfen) Ely.

He had farmed and worked in agricultural services and fertilizer sales at the Walton Plant for many years prior to his retirement.

Dick was an avid gardener and enjoyed his daily drives and spending time at the cabin. He enjoyed spending time with his grand children and attending their activities.

He served in the National Guard for 6 years.

Dick married Karen McCoy June 15, 1963 at St Mary Catholic Church in Walton.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Gordon Ely and sister Marjorie Leffelman, and brother in law Hubert Leffelman.

He is survived by his wife, children Curtis (Angie) Ely of Sublette, Ed (Karey) Ely of Amboy, Dennis (Melinda) Ely of Amboy, David (Sue) Ely of Dixon, James (Leslie) Ely of Dixon and Susan (Dick) Montavon of Oregon, 13 grandchildren, Nicolle, Christopher, Abigael, Mason, Trenton, Madeline, Michael, Morgan, Grace, Lucas and Sophia Ely, and Bailey and Lauren Montavon, one sister Mary Helen Leffelman of Mendota and one brother Ned (Carol) Ely of Amboy; and brother in law Melvin Leffelman of Dixon.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday March 28, 2018 beginning with a 9:45 prayer service in the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy followed by a

10:30 AM Mass of Christian Burial at St Mary Catholic Church in Walton with the Rev. Timothy Draper officiating. Burial will follow in St Patrick Cemetery in Maytown. Visitation will be held on Tuesday from 4:00 to 8:00 PM at the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy with a scripture services at 7:30 PM. A memorial has been established to the Amboy Fire Protections District.

# Cemetery Details

## St Patrick Cemetery Maytown

1376 Maytown Rd  
Amboy, IL 61310

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 27. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mihm-Jones Funeral Home, Amboy  
303 East Main Street  
Amboy, IL 61310  
(815) 857-2611  
[info@thejonesfh.com](mailto:info@thejonesfh.com)  
<https://www.thejonesfh.com>

## Service

MAR 28. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary Catholic Church  
Walton, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Richard John Ely*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Richard John Ely*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Karen and family, our sincere condolences during this Holy Week.  
Our prayers to each of you.*

*Joe and Diane Stewart*

**Diane Stewart** - March 30, 2018 at 10:14 AM



“ *BONNIE CARSON lit a candle in memory of  
Richard John Ely*



**BONNIE CARSON** - March 28, 2018 at 09:28 AM

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“ Karen & Family.... so sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

*Most sincerely,*

*Amy Hermes*

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**Amy Hermes** - March 27, 2018 at 01:02 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Richard John Ely.



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March 27, 2018 at 10:54 AM

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“ Please know that the Ely family is in our thoughts & prayers during this time of sorrow.

*I (Duane Milhorn) served with Dick during his time of service with the National Guard & Army Reserves.*

*He will be greatly missed.*

*R.I.P. Dick Ely.*

*Duane Milhorn*

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**Duane Milhorn** - March 27, 2018 at 08:23 AM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Richard John Ely.*



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March 26, 2018 at 06:52 PM