

Biography

Dick was born and raised in DuPage County, attending Sacred Heart and Christ the King schools in Lombard. Wanting to continue his Catholic Education, he enrolled at Montini Catholic High School. At Montini Dick was an Honor Roll student, and he was also involved in wrestling and track and field, holding the school shot-put record for many years after he graduated.

Keeping to his Lombard roots, Dick quickly became engrossed in the family business, Schroeder's Ace Hardware, and upon his father's retirement became president of the business at the young age of 21. Eventually Dick branched out, feeling the need to serve his community, and became the York Township Highway Commissioner, a position he still holds today. As the Highway Commissioner, he is responsible for maintaining the roadways in 9 towns, keeping them safe for York Township residents. Always believing that you should be involved in your community to make it a better place to live, he has spent his life actively involved in the Lombard Rotary, Elmhurst Elks Lodge, Lombard Masonic Lodge, Medinah Shrine, Lombard Moose Lodge, York Township Commissioners, and currently serves on the Elmhurst Memorial Hospital Board of Governors since 2001. As if his wife, 5 kids, and 2 jobs didn't keep him busy enough, he has also found time to serve the Midwest Hardware Association as a Board Member, Vice President, and President.

Dick Schroeder '74



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