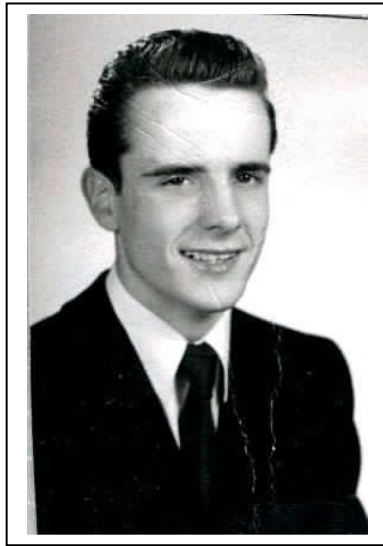


Thomas B. Fitzgerald
Sacred Heart High School
Class of 1957



Tom was born on September 18, 1937 in Boone, Iowa to Thomas John Fitzgerald and Teresa Elizabeth Smith Fitzgerald (both of his parents went to Colo High School). While growing up in Boone, Tom loved to ride his horse with his brother, Mike; go fishing, hunting or shooting; and he always had as much fun as possible. After graduating high school, Tom went on to the State Teacher's College of Iowa (University of Northern Iowa) to earn his degree in teaching.

Tom would also earn his Master's degree from Drake University. Tom taught at several smaller school districts (Ventura, Pella) upon graduation before settling down in the Des Moines School District where he taught for 37 years before retiring. During retirement, Tom continued his part-time job at a local grocery store in Des Moines, Dahl's. Tom was best known as "Fitz" and no matter where he was someone always seemed to know him.

Tom passed on November 21, 2006 after battling Leukemia. Tom was preceded in death by the love of his life, his wife, Jean in 2005. Although Tom & Jean are no longer with us, their love for each other lives on in their family.



Tom & Jean and their children.

