

GREGORY A. FORRISTALL

Gregory A. Forristall was born February 15, 1950, to Gerald and Geraldine Forristall in Council Bluffs, Iowa. He attended Carson-Macedonia High School, graduating in 1968. He went to the University of Iowa receiving a Bachelor of Music in 1972 and Masters of Arts in 1973. He also earned a degree in information technology. He married Carol in 1978 and they were married for 38 years. He was a farmer for over 25 years.

Speaker Upmeyer said, “He was a dedicated public servant to the people he represented and an advocate of the arts and education, two issues that he was incredibly passionate for.” He was an adventurer, traveler, farmer, gourmet cook, woodworker, public servant, lifelong learner and a man dedicated to others.

Throughout his life he was active in his community. He served as a member of Farm Bureau, Iowa Corn Growers Association, Pottawattamie County Republican Central Committee, Grist Mill Fine Arts Council, and American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC). Before he was elected to the House of Representatives he served on the Iowa Western Community College Board and the Iowa State Board of Education.

Former Governor Terry E. Branstad had the following words, “Greg bravely fought cancer for months while going above and beyond to fulfill his legislative duties and serve his constituents in western Iowa. He was an outstanding legislator and will be greatly missed.”

Gregory was a Republican from Pottawattamie County. He was elected to the Iowa House of Representatives in the fall of 2006, serving for six terms. During his time he served on the following committees: Economic Growth, Economic Development Appropriations, Chair of Education, Education Appropriations, Human Resources, Labor, Transportation, and Ways and Means.

Representative Forristall passed away on May 10, 2017, at the age of 67.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF IOWA, That in the passing of the Honorable Gregory Forristall, the State has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and the House by this Resolution would express its appreciation of his service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House, and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

CECIL DOLECHECK
DAVID SIECK
CHARLIE McCONKEY
Committee