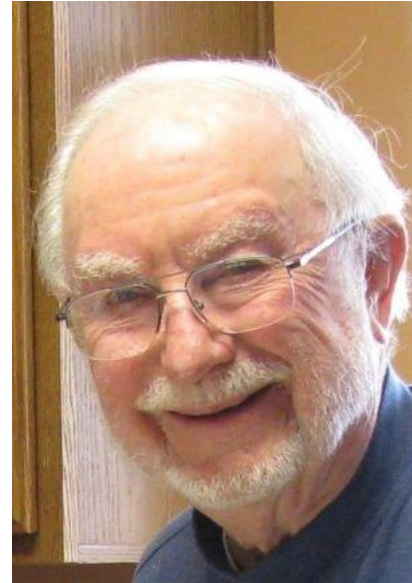


**Henry Richard “Dick” Hoblin**, Romeoville, IL, died May 17, 2023, at home with family members at his side. Dick was born July 4, 1928, in Bronxville, NY, the son of Lester G. and Hazel (Brown) Hoblin of Crestwood, NY.



After completing undergraduate work at MIT and Boston University, he earned a Master of Divinity from Andover Newton Theological School in 1955.

He had a long career in parish ministry. In 1951, he began serving his first parish in Manchester, NH as a student intern. There he met his wife Rachel “Rae” Fellbaum. They wed in 1953 and were

married for 69 years. Dick served five additional parishes: Kensington, NH; Craig and Northglenn, CO; River Falls and West Bend, WI. He retired in 1991 and moved to suburban Chicago, IL in 1995.

Dick loved to travel. He visited all fifty states, seven continents and at least sixty-five countries. He also loved camping trips with his family, trout fishing, playing bridge and was an avid woodworker – building furniture, toys, games and even a small sailboat in his home woodshop.

Dick was a dedicated family man who enjoyed attending his children’s and grandchildren’s graduations, weddings, concerts, plays and sporting events. In his last years despite macular degeneration he became a voracious reader, averaging three books a week.

Doing good works was very important to Dick. He actively participated in many local civic organizations. He was a cowboy with Heifer Project in 1947, built houses with Habitat for Humanity in many U.S. states and in Africa, volunteered at Back Bay Mission when snowbirding on the Gulf Coast in Mississippi and delivered countless meals for Meals on Wheels.

He is survived by his wife and their three children: Rebecca Hoblin, Elizabeth Hoblin Endicott, Stephen (Shelah) Hoblin; and four grandchildren, Christina (Kelly) Hoblin-Lamorena, Timothy Hoblin, Thomas Hoblin, and Ann Endicott.

Dick’s life will be celebrated at a future date. Memorials in his honor may be sent to Alice Lloyd College, Pippa Passes, KY 41844, or Northern Illinois Food Bank, Geneva, IL 60134.