



## **JOHN P. FOLEY (Class of 1945)**

John Patrick Foley born in Torrance, California July 18th, 1927. The fifth son of Roger T. Foley and Helen D. Foley. John's four older brothers Roger, Thomas, George and Joseph were all born in Goldfield, Nevada. John's grandfather Thomas L. came to Goldfield in 1907 and was admitted to the Nevada State Bar that year. Thomas persuaded his son Roger T. Foley to come to Goldfield in 1911 from Chicago, asserting there was "lots of Gold in those hills". Roger T. was admitted to the Bar in 1911. Roger T. became a Federal Judge for Nevada in 1945. All of his five sons were lawyers. His son Roger D. followed Roger T. as a Federal Judge. His son Thomas became a State District Judge. The five Foley Brothers practiced law under that name for several years.

John has been active in Nevada politics for many years and was the founder of Nevada's first Legal Aid Society in 1957. John started practicing law in Nevada in 1955 and is still practicing. He was a State Senator from Clark County from 1970 to 1974.

John has been active in the Eagles lodge since 1959, and the Knights of Columbus since 1967. He is very active as a Lay Minister in the Catholic Church and is a volunteer at the Pro Life Ultra Sound Clinic, and is a volunteer at Catholic Workers program for feeding the homeless.

John went through school in Las Vegas, attending the Fifth Street Las Vegas Elementary School and graduating from Las Vegas High School in 1945. He continues to be active with Alumni activities for the Class of 1945.

John was married to Phyllis, now deceased, for over 50 years, and has six children.

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