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Richard P. Morra Memorial Scholarship (1914-1993)

“Richie” Morra was born in Italy in 1914 and immigrated to the United States when he was seven years old. He attended the one-room school in Bolton through the eighth grade, leaving school at that time to run the family farm. He believed in the importance of education and never stopped learning. In 1970 he was awarded an honorary diploma from Bolton High School.

He also felt strongly that one must be a well informed and involved citizen. At the age of 21, he became involved in town politics and for the next 56 years he was an important presence in Bolton. He was a member of the first Zoning Board and served on the Board of Finance, Planning Commission and the High School Building Committee. He was also a town constable and a member of the Bolton Volunteer Fire Department. He was First Selectman for 12 years, from 1963-1975.

Richie is remembered by his family and friends as someone who was always there when you needed him. He valued hard work, fair play, honesty and commitment. He cared deeply about Bolton and its citizens and earned the respect and admiration of all who knew him.

This scholarship is given in his memory by the extended Morra family.