



**State Representative**  
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**D-16th Representative District**



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**Committee:** Appropriations (Subcommittee: School Aid and Department of Education (Minority Vice Chair))

**Biography:** Democrat, of Garden City; born November 29, 1929; married to Dorothy; attended school in Detroit, graduated from Northern High School, Henry Ford Trade School, and Henry Ford Apprentice School, Tool and Die Maker; served in U.S. Army, 1951-1953, Korean veteran, Counter Intelligence Corps; Henry Ford Community College, Ford Engineering Program, Lawrence Tech, Mechanical Engineering; product design engineer for Ford Motor Company, retired; served on Garden City Council 17 years, served as mayor pro-tem and mayor from 1983 to 1993; active in Democratic Party since 1957; district representative for Congressman William D. Ford, 1964-1966; former member, Democratic State Central Committee, Rotary, Nankin Transit Commission; Schoolcraft Community College Advisory Board, Radcliff Center; member, Masons and Shriners, Board of Trustees, Garden City Hospital, Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church; former Chairman of Central Wayne Sanitation Authority; recipient of the Ford Motor Company's National Award for Community Service; recipient of Michigan P.T.S.A. 2005 President's Award and the Education Fellows Award from the Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators; elected to the House of Representatives, 2000, 2002, 2004.

