



## Berkley W. Bedell

**Party:** Democratic • **Chamber:** House

**State:** IA • **District:** 6

### Biography

A Representative from Iowa. Born in Spirit Lake, Dickinson County, Iowa, March 5, 1921. Educated in Spirit Lake public schools. Graduated, Spirit Lake High School, Spirit Lake, Iowa, 1939. Attended Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa, 1940-1942. Engaged in fishing tackle business. Founder and chairman of Berkley & Co. , Spirit Lake. Served in United States Army, first lieutenant, 1942-1945. Member, Spirit Lake Board of Education, 1957-1962. Unsuccessful candidate for election to the Ninety-third Congress in 1972. Delegate to Iowa State Democratic conventions, 1972-1974. Elected as a Democrat to the Ninety-fourth and to the five succeeding Congresses (January 3, 1975-January 3, 1987). Was not a candidate for reelection in 1986. Died on December 7, 2019, in Naples, Fla. Remains cremated. Ashes interred at Elinor Bedell State Park, Spirit Lake, Iowa.

### Legislative Activity (-)

**Bills sponsored:** 0

**Bills cosponsored:** 0