



J. Herbert Burke

Party: Republican • **Chamber:** House

State: FL • **District:** 12

Biography

A Representative from Florida. Born in Chicago, Cook County, Ill. , January 14, 1911. Attended the public schools of Chicago, Ill. Graduated from Calumet High School, Chicago, Ill. , 1929. Attended Central Y. M. C. A. College in Chicago, Ill. , and Northwestern University. Graduated from Kent College of Law in 1940. Served in the United States Army in the European Theater in 1942-1945, awarded the Purple Heart, Bronze Star, the European Theater Medal, and the American Theater Ribbon, and discharged with the rank of captain. Admitted to the bar in 1940 and practiced in Chicago, 1940-1949, and Hollywood, Fla. , 1949-1968. Elected Republican commissioner in Broward County, Fla. , in 1952, and served in that capacity until 1967. Republican State committeeman, 1954-1958. Unsuccessful candidate for election to the Eighty-fourth Congress in a special election, January 11, 1955. Delegate to Republican National Conventions from 1968 to 1976. Member, Republican Platform Committee, 1968. Appointed by President Eisenhower to Southeastern Advisory Board of Small Business in 1956. Elected as a Republican to the Ninetieth and to the five succeeding Congresses. (January 3, 1967-January 3, 1979). Unsuccessful candidate for reelection in 1978 to the Ninety-sixth Congress. Convicted on September 26, 1978, of disorderly conduct and resisting arrest. Received probation and was fined. Died on June 16, 1993, in Altamonte Springs, Fla. Interment at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va.

Legislative Activity (–)

Bills sponsored: 0

Bills cosponsored: 0