



E. "Kika" De La Garza

Party: Democratic • **Chamber:** House

State: TX • **District:** 15

Service: 1965–1997

Most recent Congress: 104

Biography

A Representative from Texas. Born in Mercedes, Hidalgo County, Tex. , September 22, 1927. Educated at Mission (Tex.) High School, Edinburgh (Tex.) Junior College, and St. Mary's University, San Antonio, Tex. , LL. B. , 1952. At age 17 enlisted in the United States Navy and served from 1945 to 1946. Served as an officer in the United States Army, Thirty-seventh Division Artillery, 1950-1952. Graduated as a second lieutenant, St. Mary's ROTC, in 1951 and from the Artillery School, Fort Sill, Okla. , in 1952. Was admitted to the bar in 1952 and began practice in Mission, Tex. Member of the Texas state house of representatives 1952-1964. Elected as a Democrat to the Eighty-ninth and to the fifteen succeeding Congresses (January 3, 1965-January 3, 1997). Chair, Committee on Agriculture (Ninety-seventh through One Hundred Third Congresses). Was not a candidate for reelection to the One Hundred Fifth Congress. Died on March 13, 2017, in McAllen, Tex.

Legislative Activity (1965–1997)

Bills sponsored: 0

Bills cosponsored: 0