



Edward Joseph Derwinski

Party: Republican • **Chamber:** House

State: IL • **District:** 4

Biography

A Representative from Illinois. Born in Chicago, Ill. , September 15, 1926. Graduated from Mount Carmel High School in 1944. Served in the United States Army as an infantryman with service in the Pacific Theater and with the Japanese Occupation Forces in 1945 and 1946. B. S. , Loyola University, Chicago, Ill. , 1951. President of the West Pullman Savings & Loan Association, 1950-1975. Served one term in the Illinois house of representatives in 1957 and 1958. Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs, 1989-1992. Delegate to the United Nations General Assembly, 1971-1972. Elected as a Republican to the Eighty-sixth and to the eleven succeeding Congresses (January 3, 1959-January 3, 1983). Unsuccessful candidate for renomination in 1982 to the Ninety-eighth Congress. Chairman, U. S. Delegation to Interparliamentary Union, 1970-1972, 1978-1980. Counselor, Department of State, March 18, 1983, to March 23, 1987. Under secretary of state for Security Assistance, Science and Technology, March 23, 1987, to January 21, 1989. Died on January 15, 2012, in Oak Brook, Ill. Interment at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va.

Legislative Activity (-)

Bills sponsored: 0

Bills cosponsored: 0