



Joseph Landon Evins

Party: Democratic • **Chamber:** House

State: TN • **District:** 4

Biography

A Representative from Tennessee. Born on a farm near Blend, DeKalb County, Tenn. , October 24, 1910. Attended the public schools. Was graduated from Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn. , in 1933 and from Cumberland University School of Law, Lebanon, Tenn. , in 1934. Postgraduate student of law at George Washington University, Washington, D. C. , 1938-1940. Was admitted to the bar in 1934 and commenced practice in Smithville, Tenn. Attorney for Federal Trade Commission in Washington, D. C. , 1935-1938. Assistant secretary of the Federal Trade Commission 1938-1940. Served in the United States Army on the staff of the Judge Advocate General, War Department, from March 1942 until discharged as a major in March 1946. Resumed the practice of law in Smithville, Tenn. Chairman of the DeKalb County Democratic Executive Committee in 1946. Elected as a Democrat to the Eightieth and to the fourteen succeeding Congresses (January 3, 1947-January 3, 1977). Chairman, Select Committee on Small Business (Eighty-eighth through Ninety-third Congresses), Committee on Small Business (Ninety-fourth Congress). Was not a candidate for reelection in 1976 to the Ninety-fifth Congress. Was a resident of Smithville, Tenn. , until his death March 31, 1984, in Nashville, Tenn. Interment in Smithville Town Cemetery, Smithville, Tenn.

Legislative Activity (–)

Bills sponsored: 0

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