



Howell Thomas Heflin

Party: Democratic • **Chamber:** Senate

State: AL

Service: 1979–1997

Most recent Congress: 104

Biography

(Nephew of James Thomas Heflin), a Senator from Alabama. Born in Poulan, Worth County, Ga. , June 19, 1921. Attended the Alabama public schools. Graduated, Birmingham Southern College 1942. Graduated, University of Alabama School of Law, Tuscaloosa, Ala. , 1948. Admitted to the Alabama bar in 1948 and commenced practice in Tuscumbia, Ala. Served in the United States Marine Corps 1942-1946. Law professor. Chief justice, Alabama supreme court 1971-1977. Elected as a Democrat to the United States Senate in November 1978. Reelected in 1984 and again in 1990 and served from January 3, 1979, to January 3, 1997. Not a candidate for reelection in 1996. Chairman, Select Committee on Ethics (Ninety-sixth, One Hundredth through One Hundred Second Congresses). Was a resident of Tuscumbia, Ala. , until his death due to a heart attack on March 29, 2005. Interment in Oakwood Cemetery, Tuscumbia, Ala.

Legislative Activity (1979–1997)

Bills sponsored: 0

Bills cosponsored: 0