



Jerry Patterson

Party: Democratic • **Chamber:** House

State: CA • **District:** 38

Biography

A Representative from California. Born in El Paso, El Paso County, Tex. , October 25, 1934. Graduated from Tucson High School, Tucson, Ariz. , 1952. B. A. , California State, Long Beach, Calif. , 1960. J. D. , UCLA Law School, Los Angeles, Calif. , 1966. Graduate work, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, Calif. , 1960-1963. Admitted to the California bar in 1967 and commenced practice in Santa Ana. United States Coast Guard, 1953-1957. City attorney, Placentia, Calif. , 1973-1975. City councilman for Santa Ana, Calif. , 1969-1973. Mayor, Santa Ana, Calif. , 1973-1975. Delegate, Democratic National Conventions, 1976, 1980, and 1984. Elected as a Democrat to the Ninety-fourth and to the four succeeding Congresses (January 3, 1975-January 3, 1985). Chairman, Select Committee on Committees (Ninety-sixth Congress). Unsuccessful candidate for election to the Ninety-ninth Congress in 1984. Visiting professor, California State University, Long Beach, Calif. , 1986-1999. Resumed the practice of law in Costa Mesa, Calif. , in 1986. City attorney, Cypress, Calif. , 1987. President, Coast Community College District Board, Calif. Died on November 1, 2024, in Fountain Valley, Calif.

Legislative Activity (–)

Bills sponsored: 0

Bills cosponsored: 0