



Shirley Pettis

Party: Republican • Chamber: House

State: CA • District: 37

Biography

A Representative from California. Born Shirley Neil McCumber in Mountain View, Santa Clara County, Calif., July 12, 1924. Attended the elementary schools, Berkeley, Calif., 1931-1932, and Berrien Springs, Mich., 1933-1937. Graduated from Andrews University Academy, Berrien Springs, Mich., 1942. Attended Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Mich., 1942-1943. Attended the University of California, Berkeley, Calif., 1944-1945. Co-founder and manager, Audio-Digest Foundation, 1950-1953. Newspaper columnist, Sun-Telegram, San Bernardino, Calif., 1967-1970. Vice president, Republican Congressional Wives Club, 1975. Elected as a Republican to the Ninety-fourth Congress, by special election, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband, United States Representative Jerry L. Pettis. Reelected to the Ninety-fifth Congress (April 29, 1975-January 3, 1979). Was not a candidate for reelection to the Ninety-sixth Congress in 1978. Vice president, Women's Research and Education Institute, Washington, D. C., 1980-1981. Member of the Arms Control and Disarmament Commission, 1981-1983, and the Commission on Presidential Scholars, 1990-1992. Member, board of directors, Kemper National Insurance Companies, 1979-1997. Died on December 30, 2016, in Rancho Mirage, Calif.

Legislative Activity (–)

Bills sponsored: 0 **Bills cosponsored:** 0