



## Thomas Jefferson Steed

**Party:** Democratic • **Chamber:** House  
**State:** OK • **District:** 4

### Biography

A Representative from Oklahoma. Born on a farm near Rising Star, Eastland County, Tex. , March 2, 1904. Attended the public schools of Konawa, Okla. Connected with Oklahoma daily newspapers for twenty years, including four years as managing editor of Shawnee News and Star. Enlisted on October 29, 1942, as a private in Antiaircraft Artillery and released from active duty in May 1944 with rank of second lieutenant. Joined Office of War Information July 1, 1944, and served with information division in India-Burma Theater until December 1945. Elected as a Democrat to the Eighty-first and to the fifteen succeeding Congresses (January 3, 1949-January 3, 1981). Chairman, Committee on Small Business (Ninety-fourth Congress). Was not a candidate for reelection in 1980 to the Ninety-seventh Congress. Was a resident of Shawnee, Okla. , until his death on June 8, 1983. Interment at Resthaven Cemetery, Shawnee, Okla.

### Legislative Activity (-)

**Bills sponsored:** 0

**Bills cosponsored:** 0