

REP. MICKEY CHANNELL

Georgia House District 116

Proven, Conservative Leadership

Born in Washington, Georgia, Representative Mickey Channell is a life-long resident of House District 116 and a fourth generation Greene Countian. After graduating from Greene County Public Schools, he went on to attend Young Harris College, where former Georgia Governor, Senator Zell Miller taught him political science. The avid Bulldog fan later obtained his B.B.A. in Business Administration from the University Of Georgia Terry College Of Business.

Having owned various local small businesses over the years, Mickey understands the economic needs of our district. Mickey is a strong advocate for jobs and economic development, and sits on the Board of Directors of the Georgia Cities Foundation, a public-private partnership that provides loans for revitalization projects for downtown areas in small towns throughout Georgia. He previously served as a Trustee of the Georgia College and State University Foundation in Milledgeville.

Considered an expert on healthcare in Georgia, Mickey's proudest achievement in the State Legislature was authoring the PeachCare for Kids legislation, securing affordable healthcare services for over 200,000 children of Georgia's working families. Mickey is the former Chairman of the Community Health Subcommittee of Appropriations, where he had oversight of the allocation of a \$7 billion state health care budget. Mickey continues to serve on the committee, which oversees the \$14 billion Department of Community Health, Department of Human Resources and the Department of Labor budget. He also serves on the Board of Governors for the Mercer University School of Medicine.

Now in his 14th year in the Georgia House of Representatives, Mickey is a former assistant majority whip and has held several Committee leadership positions, including Chairman of Industrial Relations, Vice-Chairman of Appropriations and Secretary of Transportation and ex-officio of Ways & Means. In 2005, he was appointed to the Special Committee on Civil Justice Reform by House Speaker Glenn Richardson.

No stranger to public service, Mickey has held different public offices in his district, including membership on the Greene County Board of Commissioners and the Greene County Board of Education. He also served as Chairman of the Georgia Nonpublic Post Secondary Education Commission the same year he was elected to the Georgia House of Representatives. Involved in many civic organizations, Mickey is a founding member of the Greene County Rotary Club, is currently an honorary member of the Greene/Putnam Counties Rotary Club and a past President of the Greene County Chamber of Commerce. Mickey was also a co-organizer of the Greene County Youth Baseball Program.

Mickey currently owns and operates Channell Enterprises, a real estate holding company which he founded in the 1960s. He and his wife of 43 years, the former Carolyn Devane, are the proud parents of four grown children and they spend as much time as possible with their nine grandchildren. Mickey and Carolyn are active members of the First United Methodist Church of Greensboro.

Faith and Family Values

Married 43 years to the former Carolyn DeVane
Four grown children
Nine grandchildren
Active member of First United Methodist Church of Greensboro

Community Involvement

Fourth Generation Greene Countian
Founding Member, Greene County Rotary Club
Honorary Member, Greene/Putnam Counties Rotary Club
Member, Georgia Cities Foundation Board
Member, Board of Governors, Mercer University School of Medicine
Former Trustee, Georgia College Foundation
President, Greensboro Chamber of Commerce - 1966-1967
Co-organizer of Greene County Youth Baseball Program - 1982

Small Businessman

Founder of Channell Enterprises, a real estate holding company from the 1960s - present
Founder of Corner Pantry Food Marts from 1966 - 1990
Co-owner of Channell Super Valu from 1963 -1972

Education

Graduate of Greene County Public Schools
Attended Young Harris College
Graduate of The University of Georgia Terry College of Business, B.A. in Business Administration

Public Servant

Member, Georgia House of Representatives - 1992 to Present
Chairman, Georgia Nonpublic Post Secondary Education Commission (Inaugural year) – 1992
Member, Greene County Board of Commissioners – 1972 to 1980

Member, Greene County Board of Education – 1980 to 1992

Committees in the Georgia House of Representatives

Currently on Appropriations, Rules and Transportation

Currently on Special Committee on Civil Justice Reform

Currently on Community Health Subcommittee of Appropriations

Former Chairman of the Community Health Subcommittee of Appropriations

Former Chairman, House Tourism Study Committee

Former Chairman, Industrial Relations Committee

Former Vice-Chairman, Appropriations

Former Secretary Transportation

Ex-officio, Ways & Means