



Biography

CONGRESSMAN

Terry Everett



SECOND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF ALABAMA

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A vigorous political newcomer, Republican U.S. Representative Terry Everett, was elected congressman from Alabama's re-drawn Second Congressional District in 1992. Even though he's a freshman member, Terry Everett has already gained a seat on the powerful House Armed Services Committee and the influential House Committee on Veterans Affairs.

A native of the agriculture-rich Wiregrass region of Southeast Alabama, Everett brings to the U.S. Congress a successful business background, coupled with a strong agenda for Congressional reform.

The son of a south Alabama sharecropper and railroad worker, Terry Everett knows the value of hard work and has applied this principle in his own life. Born in Dothan, Alabama on February 15, 1937, Terry Everett grew up in Midland City, Alabama where he attended High School. Everett began his career serving in the United States Air Force as an intelligence specialist in 1955. After completing his obligation to his country, Everett returned four years later to Dothan where he worked as a farm and police beat reporter for *The Dothan Eagle*.

For three decades to follow, Terry Everett steadily climbed the ladder of the newspaper business, serving as editor, publisher and finally an owner of a chain of small newspapers in the Southeast. In 1988, Everett sold much of his newspaper holdings. Since then he has become president of Premium Homebuilders and Everett Land Development, both of Enterprise. The owner and president of *The Union Springs Herald*, Terry Everett also owns a 400-acre working farm.

Terry Everett has also served as president and chairman of the board of the Alabama Press Association, and the chairman of the board of directors of Dothan Federal Savings Bank. Additionally, he was an appointee to the President's Environmental Protection Commission for the Southeastern Region of the United States, and twice nominated as "Army Civilian of the Year" by the U.S. Army Aviation Center at Fort Rucker for his work in support of Army Aviation.

Terry Everett ran for Congress on a platform of restoring accountability in Washington. On his first day in office, he introduced a resolution calling for a freeze of Congressional pay as long as the Federal budget deficit is not significantly reduced. Everett did not accept Congress' recent \$40,000 pay raise. Instead, he has pledged to donate for the first two years his share to college scholarships for Second District students.

Terry and his wife Barbara make their home in Enterprise where they are active members of the First Baptist Church.

EVERETT AT A GLANCE

103rd Congress: First Term Republican

Home: Enterprise, Alabama

Committees: House Armed Services (Subcommittees: Military Installations and Facilities; and, Oversight and Investigations); Veterans Affairs (Subcommittees: Hospitals and Health Care; Oversight and Investigations; and, Compensation, Pension and Insurance.