

**Gary Stevens—Senate District P—Republican**

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**Age:**

75

**Place of Birth:**

McMinnville, Oregon

**Spouse's Name:**

Rita

**Children's Names:**

Anna, Matthew, Natalie

**Occupation:**

Professor (Retired)

**Length of Residency in Alaska:**

46 years

**Alaskan Communities Lived in:**

Kodiak 1970 to present

**Education:**

Taft High 1959  
Linfield College 1963 BA  
University of Oregon 1965 MFA  
UCLA 1966 Graduate School  
University of Oregon 1984 Ph.D.  
Harvard 2005 Kennedy School of Government

**Military Service:**

US Army; 3 years; 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant; Intelligence Officer; Army Commendation Medal;  
President Regimental Honor Council

**Political and Government Positions:**

Senate President – 4 years; Majority Leader; Chair Rules, Legislative Council, Education; Mayor, Kodiak Borough; Mayor, City of Kodiak; President School Board; Senate: 14 years; House: 2 years

**Business and Professional Positions:**

Professor of History and Humanities, University of Alaska, 25 years; General Manager, Northern Processors; Director Kodiak Oral History Project

**Service Organization(s) Membership:**

Rotary, Elks, American Legion, Pioneers

**Special Interests:**

Alaska History, Art and sport fishing

**Other:**

National Chairman, Council of State Governments; Governor, Rotary International; President Alaska Historical Society; Board Member: Educational Commission of the States, Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute, Alaska Aerospace Corporation

**Statement:**

I am running for re-election to the Alaska Senate. It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve in the Alaska legislature for the past 16 years. I have been Senate President, Chairman of Legislative Council, Education, and Rules as well as Majority Leader. I recently served as National Chairman of the Council of State Governments. I have learned enormous lessons about how best to assist the communities I represent. I look forward to meeting, listening to and learning from every community in our district.

My priorities include excellence in education, finding solutions to the high dropout rate in our schools and low graduation rate in higher education, improving civic engagement, maintaining a healthy economy and well-paying jobs, moving ahead on oil and gas development, protecting our fishing and tourism industries and support for our veterans and seniors.

I have served as an elected public official for over 27 years, as Borough Mayor, City Mayor, School Board President, as well as a state legislator. That experience has given me a solid understanding of the needs of all levels of government here in our district.

Rita and I have been married for over 40 years with three grown children; Anna, Matthew, Natalie and two sons-in-law, Colby and Will. We recently welcomed our first grandchild, Isadora, to our family.

I promise to continue providing this district with the best possible representation I can in the Alaska Senate.



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