

Editorial

WHAT A SENATOR SHOULD BE

Four years ago, Dr. Ed Ford was described as:

- A man who is out before the public every day.
- A man willing to take a stand.
- A man whose record is that of getting the job done.
- A man who listens in order to have a broader viewpoint.
- A man who knows what it's like to meet a payroll (and stay within a budget).
- A man who has faced public issues, who has been called upon to solve public problems, and has succeeded over and over again.
- A man who has devoted his time, resources and energies to community causes without expecting anything in return except the personal satisfaction that others were helped.

Shortly thereafter, Dr. Ford became State Senator Ed Ford. Today, he seeks re-election. A reasonable question is whether or not the Ford descriptions of 1977 are appropriate today.

He continues to be out among the people. One of the hallmarks of his first term in office was keeping in touch with citizens of the 10th District, by letter, telephone, newspaper survey, weekly column and in person. He has become the people's conduit to Frankfort.

He quickly became tagged as an "independent" Senator—one who didn't follow the political boss; one who always stood up for his constituents.

He gets the job done. He got the oppressive sales tax taken off residential utilities! He fought against moves to increase other taxes! He stepped in and began to reduce needless personal service contracts that only wasted taxpayers' money.

He has been prudent with your tax dollar, just as he recognizes the difficulties of making ends meet in business, and certainly in the home. He challenges the reckless spenders at every opportunity.

Ed Ford has proven that a political figure can keep his word. He has proven that a political figure can be the same person after being elected as he was while campaigning.

Ed Ford has brought real honesty and effective leadership to the job given him four years ago. He deserves reelection. The people deserve his effective representation.

The alternative leaves many unanswered questions, especially in regard to taxes, bigger and bigger spending—the kind of Senatorial representation we simply cannot afford.

On May 26, help him keep helping you. Vote Ed Ford, State Senator.

What Others Say About Ed Ford

"Doug pushes me against Ed Ford. They ought to be, he's one to clean up the mess they're creating."

—Law enforcement officer

"When he was chairman of the local school board, he led a major program to provide children with a new, well-built middle school construction project. And he did it at no additional cost to the taxpayers. Now that's leadership."

—A Harrison County parent

"He has a keen mind and a conservative approach to government. At the same time he has strong feelings about helping those who cannot help themselves—the disabled, the elderly, and especially children. I think Ed Ford does children as deeply as anyone I have ever met."

—A Versailles Housewife

"The guy keeps on touch. Now how many politicians do that these days?"

—Scott County Farmer

"Ed's looked up to in the Senate. He does his homework. He has respect and that speaks highly of the District he serves."

—Lawmaker

"Of course we're both veterans. He saw action in Korea. I saw it elsewhere. Maybe I feel a kinship, but he's got a misanthropic about him that I like."

—Former Courier

"Dr. Ford has been my vet for years. I know he would be a great Senator four years ago, but I didn't know he would be able to get in touch with us in his first term. One thing about it: He can't bring in to the big money we were like."

—Nicholas Nugent Farmer

MEET DOROTHY FORD

Dorothy Monson Ford takes time out from her busy schedule as a community and church leader to assist her husband as his number one supporter and campaign worker.

A life-long resident of Kentucky, Dorothy was born in Bourbon County. She attended public school at Ruddles Mills and Millersburg. She continued her education at Transylvania University in Lexington.

Dorothy returned to Millersburg to teach at her alma mater, Bourbon County High School. Later she taught at the Cynthiana High School, St. Edwards Catholic School in Cynthiana, and Eastside Elementary in Harrison County.

Along with assisting Ed, Dorothy is active elsewhere:

- State campaign chairwoman for Lieutenant Governor Martha Layne Collins.
- Grey lady of Northside Elementary School in Harrison County.
- Chairwoman of the resolutions committee, Kentucky Federation of Women's Clubs.
- Family Living chairperson of the Kentucky Federation of Women's Clubs.
- Vice President of the Northside P.T.A.
- Member of the planning committee/Board of the Harrison County Memorial Hospital.
- Director of the United Community Fund Board.
- Treasurer of the Harrison County Cancer Fund.
- President of the Harrison County Women's Club.
- President of the Harrison County Garden Club.
- Vice President of the Harrison County Democratic Women's Club.
- Sunday School teacher at the Cynthiana Christian Church.
- President of the Christian Women Fellowship at the Cynthiana Christian Church.



The Fords have six children: Wood M. Smith, 30; Claude E. Smith, 26; Debra G. Fischer, 26; Edward S. Ford III, 23; Lawrence H. Ford, 19; Kimbal D. Ford, 12.

Headlines of a Working Senator



Some tend to take credit that belongs to others. For instance, removing the sales tax from FOOD was pure and simple the good work of WENDELL FORD when he was Governor. Today, you can find a candidate trying to make people believe HE was the reason the sales tax on food came off, way back in 1972.