

Rick Stream Biography

Mr. Stream is a lifelong resident of Kirkwood who began working at the age of 11 to support his large family, especially after his father passed away in 1963. He is a graduate of Kirkwood High School '67, Meramec Community College '69 and the University of Missouri - St. Louis '71.

Mr. Stream served as a U.S. Naval Officer from 1971 to 1975, assigned to the USS Fort Snelling (LSD-30). Upon his honorable discharge, he returned to Kirkwood and worked as a supervisor at a nearby cotton factory. In 1977, he began a 29-year career as a Department of Defense Budget and Program Manager for the Army Aviation and Logistics Commands. During that time, he also was on the Kirkwood School Board for 12 years; 2 as its president.

Mr. Stream retired early in 2006 to run for Missouri State Representative, and he was elected four times; serving as the House Budget Committee Chair and Vice-Chair for 6 years. Mr. Stream has been the Republican Director of Elections for the St. Louis County Election Board since January 2017.

Mr. Stream and his wife, Ellen, have been married for 44 years. They have 4 children and 4 grandchildren. In the last two years, he has been presented with the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Kirkwood Chamber of Commerce, and he was inducted into the Kirkwood High School Alumni Hall of Fame for his 50+ years of volunteer service to the school district and the community.