

Elected in 2014, Senator Gary Peters is honored to represent the State of Michigan in the U.S. Senate. Throughout his career in public service, Peters has been a strong, independent voice for Michigan's middle class families and small businesses. He has focused on uniting our communities by fighting for the things that we all agree on—a stronger economy, good-paying jobs, affordable health care, a secure retirement and a fair chance for everyone to succeed.

Senator Peters was born in Pontiac, Michigan and has lived his entire life in Oakland County. His father was a World War II veteran and public school teacher, and his mother worked at a local nursing home where she organized her workplace as an SEIU union steward. Peters is a product of Michigan schools, graduating from Alma College where he earned a B.A. in Political Science. After graduation, while working a full time job and raising a family, he went on to earn an M.B.A. in Finance from the University of Detroit Mercy, a law degree from Wayne State University Law School and an M.A. in Philosophy from Michigan State University.

For more than 20 years, Peters worked as an investment advisor, helping families save for their retirement and provide for their children's college education. He volunteered for the U.S. Navy Reserve at age 34, rising to the rank of Lieutenant Commander, and he volunteered again for drilling status after the September 11th terrorist attacks.

Peters began his public service as a Rochester Hills City Councilman in 1991 before being elected to the Michigan State Senate and serving as the Michigan State Lottery Commissioner. First elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 2008, Peters fought to ensure the survival of our local auto industry and worked to hold the bad actors on Wall Street that caused the recession accountable.

In the 115th Congress, Peters serves on the Senate Armed Services Committee, Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and the Joint Economic Committee.

Peters and his wife, Colleen, live in Oakland County and have three children: Gary Jr., Madeleine and Alana.