

and great-grandchildren. As a student, Jack dedicated his studies to agriculture, which is evident that it played a big role in his life for as long as he lived. He earned his B.S. in Agriculture from Auburn University and his master's in animal science from the University of Tennessee. If it was not clear before these degrees, it was clear afterwards—Jack was going to make a difference in agriculture and better the lives of many people along the way.

For the following thirty-one years Jack worked for the Auburn University Extension Service, where he engaged with 4-H students, Cattlemen, and Agronomy farmers in Montgomery, Elmore, and Limestone counties. After retiring, Jack went on to own a farm in Athens, Alabama and served as the Assistant Commissioner of Agriculture before assuming the role of Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries for four years. Jack also combined his two passions, agriculture and Auburn University, and lobbied for financing to construct the Ag and Industries Thompson Bishop Sparks Diagnostic Lab on Auburn's campus. This was quite the undertaking, but Jack got it done, and he went on to do much more.

As a volunteer, Jack Thompson's list of service roles is incredible. He was president of the Athens-Limestone Chamber of Commerce; Campaign Chairman of the United Way; president of the Limestone County Cattlemen's Association, a lifetime Director of the State Cattlemen's Association; a lifetime member of the Athens Industrial Development Association; and was a board member at the Salvation Army. Jack also worked with 4-H kids in coordinating with state, district, and local steer shows and managed livestock for what is now the Alabama National Fair.

Jack Thompson is now survived by his four children; David Thompson, Keith Thompson, Susan Woodham, and Janice Thompson. In addition, he is survived by his sister, Ann Thomas, and his eleven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

It is with a heavy heart for the family of Mr. Jack Thompson and the community of Montgomery, Alabama that I recognize the life of Mr. Jack Thompson. His legacy will live on well into the future.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MR.  
CHRISTOPHER EDMOND ANGELO

**HON. TED LIEU**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 26, 2020*

Mr. TED LIEU of California. Madam Speaker, I rise to celebrate the life of Mr. Christopher Edmond Angelo, a beloved member of California's 33rd Congressional District, who passed away at the age of 70 on May 19, 2020. With decades of legal advocacy on behalf of consumer and patient rights, Chris helped to further the protections of the most vulnerable in our community.

Born on December 19, 1949 in Los Angeles, California, Chris attended Hollywood High School, the University of California, Riverside, where he sat on the Board of Trustees for several years, and Loyola Law School. After graduating law school, Chris began his career as a defense attorney at Spray, Gould & Bowlers and later moved on to representing plaintiffs at Gage, Mazury, Schwartz, Angelo &

Kussman. In 1988, he and his partners formed Mazury, Schwartz & Angelo and in 2003, he formed a partnership in Manhattan Beach with Joseph DiMonda.

Throughout his legal career, Chris' legal work helped to expand the rights of patients to ensure the medical field prioritized patient care before profit and established duties on the part of commercial and industrial landowners to inspect for safety and toxic environmental hazards. This work also led to more oversight of insurance companies by expanding the ability of policyholders to discover insurer internal loss reserves and reinsurance records when suing for unfair claims practices. Additionally, Chris fought against jury nullification and spoliation of evidence, in order to help expand fairness and accountability both in and outside of the court room.

Chris was also a fierce advocate for parents of children with developmental disabilities. With his legal background, he taught both parents and institutions how to effectuate insurance coverage for their children and patients with disabilities. Through innumerable hours counseling parents, and producing and donating a booklet called "For Our Children: A Lawyer's Guide to Insurance Coverage and a Parent's Call to Organize" (1998), Chris helped to educate communities on holding insurance companies accountable, while bolstering the rights of individuals and families with children with disabilities.

Chris is survived by his wife of 40 years, Patti; son Alexander; sister Juliet; and brother Mark; beloved brothers and sisters-in-laws; 13 nieces and 22 great nieces and nephews. May his compassion, leadership, and devotion to protecting the rights of the most vulnerable continue to live on in the fight for a more equitable and just world.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF DR.  
JAMES HENRY NEELY

**HON. TRENT KELLY**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 26, 2020*

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Dr. James Henry Neely, who passed away on Tuesday, June 23, at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Oxford, Mississippi.

Dr. Neely was born on August 8, 1932, in West Point, Mississippi. His many accomplishments began at Mary Holmes College High School. He was the editor of the school newspaper, secretary of the senior class, president of the athletic club and, member at large of the Student Council. He then took his successes to Kentucky State University, earning a degree in chemistry and a minor in math and French.

His passion for chemistry and academia lead Dr. Neely to Meharry Medical College in 1960, where he received his Doctor of Medicine degree. After graduation, he took his leadership skills and medical expertise to the United States Air Force. He earned the rank of Captain and served as a Flight Surgeon stationed in El Paso, Texas, and Belleville, Illinois.

Dr. Neely's achievements didn't stop there. After an honorable discharge from the military in 1964, he relocated to Tupelo, Mississippi, to

set up his medical practice. He served his community in medical practice for 35 years. He was the first African American doctor to have full hospital privileges of admitting and treating patients at the North Mississippi Medical Center. This was only the beginning of his successes in the medical field. He would go on to earn the Mississippi Medical and Surgical Award as Practitioner of the Year and the Meharry Medical College Distinguished Service Award for 25 years of service. Out of all of his accomplishments, however, Dr. Neely claimed his greatest achievement was his marriage to Elaine Kilgore for 66 years.

Outside of the medical profession, Dr. Neely held memberships in numerous organizations including the National Medical Association, The Black Business Association of Mississippi, the NAACP, and was a member of the West Point Trinity United Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Neely was not only a prominent figure in the medical field but in his community as well. He served as a member of the Board of Directors Community Development Foundation. He was involved in Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Boy Scouts of America, Tupelo UNCF, Good Samaritan Health Services and, St. Paul Outreach Boys Home.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife, Elaine; his son and my friend, mentor, colleague, and Assistant District Attorney in my office Brian Neely; his daughter, acclaimed poet and Goodwill Ambassador for the state of Mississippi Patricia Neely-Dorsey; his four grandchildren, and many other friends and extended family members.

Dr. Neely's life was one of service, grace, and love for his family and community. He will be greatly missed by all whom he encountered. In today's world, we should all look towards Dr. Neely as an example of how to make desired change by way of public service.

IN MEMORY OF BILL THOMPSON

**HON. JOHN JOYCE**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 26, 2020*

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Bill Thompson of Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania, who passed away on June 15, 2020 at the age of 81.

Mr. Thompson was a pharmacist by profession and a leader in the business community. In 1965, he founded Thompson Pharmacy in Juniata, PA. In time, Thompson Pharmacy expanded to multiple locations in central Pennsylvania. Additionally, Mr. Thompson served as treasurer and vice president of Value Drug, a cooperative of independent pharmacies in the Altoona area, for nearly 50 years.

In recognition of his service and dedication, Mr. Thompson was honored with a number of awards. In 2004, the School of Pharmacy at the University of Pittsburgh presented him their Distinguished Alumni Award. He was also the 2014 recipient of the Blair County Chamber of Commerce's Lifetime Achievement Award.

Bill Thompson was an incredible advocate for central Pennsylvania, and his work made Blair County a better place. On behalf of the 13th District of Pennsylvania, I extend my condolences to Mr. Thompson's family, friends, neighbors, and colleagues.