

## **Biography of Representative Sam Graves, Chairman, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure**



Rep. Sam Graves (R-MO), serving his 12th term representing the people of Missouri's Sixth Congressional District, is the Chairman of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure in the U.S. House of Representatives.

As a small businessman, a sixth-generation family farmer, and a professional pilot, Sam has a deep understanding of how infrastructure and developments in transportation technology can fundamentally impact and benefit our economy, our communities, and Americans' livelihoods.

From 2019 to 2022, he served as the Transportation Committee's lead Republican Member. Before that, he served four years as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, and as the Ranking Republican Member of the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management. Sam is also Co-Chair of the House General Aviation Caucus.

From 2009 to 2015, Sam served as Chairman and Ranking Republican Member of the Committee on Small Business, and he continues to serve as a high-ranking Member of the Committee on Armed Services.

Sam was born in Tarkio, Missouri on November 7, 1963. He graduated from Tarkio High School in 1982 and attended college at the University of Missouri-Columbia, where he received his degree in Agronomy from the College of Agriculture.

In 1992, Sam won his first race for State Representative. In 1994, he was elected State Senator for the 12th Senatorial District and was subsequently re-elected in 1998.

As a father, grandfather, farmer, businessman, and former State legislator, Sam knows the values, hopes, and beliefs of the hard-working people of the Sixth District, and continues to work tirelessly in the House on behalf of Missouri families, as well as our Nation's infrastructure.