



STATE SENATOR JEAN LEISING

SENATE DISTRICT 42

BIOGRAPHY

State Sen. Jean Leising has represented Senate District 42 since she was elected to the State Senate in 2008 after previously serving from 1988-96. She serves Decatur, Fayette, Ripley and Rush counties and portions of Franklin, Jennings and Shelby counties.

Leising is chair of the Senate Committee on Agriculture and ranking member of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources. She also serves as a member of the Senate Committees on Commerce and Technology; Education and Career Development; Health and Provider Services; and Utilities.

Leising is a retired nurse and works as a travel agent and farmer.

Leising graduated from Sunman High School as salutatorian in 1966 and from the Good Samaritan School of Nursing in Cincinnati, Ohio with honors in 1969.

Leising and her husband, Frank, live on their farm in Oldenburg where they spend time with their three grown children and eight grandchildren.

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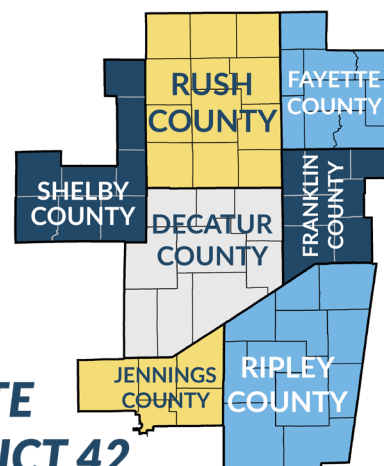
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AWARDS

While serving Southeast Indiana, Leising has received the following awards.

- Indiana Farm Bureau's Farm Woman of the Year Award (1984)
- Indiana Conservation Officers and Their Families' Legislator of the Year Award in (1995)
- National Rifle Association's Defender of Freedom Award (1996)
- American Legion of Indiana's Distinguished Public Service Award (2009)
- Indiana Volunteer Fire Fighters Association's Legislator of the Year Award (2010)
- New Horizons Partnership Award (2010)
- Developmental Services Inc. Paul Roahrig Memorial President's Award (2010)
- Family Health Services Award (2011)
- Champion of Indiana's Electric Cooperatives (2013)
- Indiana Latino Scholarship Fund Award (2013)
- Direct Support Professionals of Indiana and Self-Advocates of Indiana's Friend of the Industry Award (2015)
- Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council Legislative Excellence Award (2016)
- Indiana Family Institute's 100 Percent Legislative Rating (2017)
- Indiana Disability Rights' Promoting the Rights of Individuals with Disabilities Award (2018)
- Back on Track Champion Award from the Indiana Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association (2020)
- Agribusiness Council of Indiana's Legislator of the Year Award (2020 and 2021)
- Indiana Corn Growers Association and the Indiana Soybean Alliance's Friend of Farmers Award (2021)
- American Conservative Union Foundation Conservative Excellence Award (2022)