



# Joan C. Houchen

## Quick Facts

**Birth:** July 19, 1940  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

**Death:**

**Occupation:** Merchandising

**Party Affiliation:** Republican

**Years served:** 1979-83

**Office:** Representative

**District:** 10 (Island, Snohomish Counties) 1979  
10 (Island, Snohomish, Skagit Counties) 1981

## Personal:

- Owns and operates a small family farm on Camano Island
- Worked as Administrative Assistant to Representative Simeon "Sim" Wilson.
- Married, 2 children

## Education:

- University of Washington, chi omega

## Community Service:

- VFW Auxiliary

## Affiliations:

- Pioneer Association of Washington
- American Hereford association

## Awards:

## Legislative & State Service:

**Committees: (1979)** Institutions; Insurance; Social and Health Services **(1981)** Institutions, chair; Human Services; Human Services-Appropriations

## Leadership, Positions & Appointments:

- State Art Commission member
- State Jail Commission member
- Ran for Congress, district 2 in 1982 and lost to Al Swift.
- Skagit Valley College, board of governance

**Sources:**

- “Rep Joan Houchen says People in free country need self-discipline,” by John Greeley, Marysville Globe, October 28, 1981.