

“Without
research,
there is no
hope.”

The Honorable Paul G. Rogers

The Paul G. Rogers Plaza

National Institutes of Health

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During his twenty-four years as a member of the United States House of Representatives, the Honorable Paul G. Rogers authored numerous laws to support and develop the mission of the National Institutes of Health. His lifetime of public service has been distinguished by tireless advocacy for public health and medical research, and is recognized by an act of Congress dated December 21, 2000 designating this plaza in his honor.

Paul G. Rogers' service to the United States includes distinguished service in the Armed Forces, twenty-four years as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives, and leadership of numerous non-profit organizations, foundations and corporations.

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advocacy

Paul Rogers' Congressional record on health and the environment earned him

For more than five decades, the Honorable Paul Grant Rogers has served his nation as a visionary leader with accomplishments to match.

the sobriquet "Mr. Health." Since passage of the National Cancer Act, which he introduced, the childhood death rate by cancer has dropped by more than 60 percent.

Communities as distinct as Anchorage and Miami are the beneficiaries of his Safe Drinking Water Act. The dramatic rise in opportunities for young adults to become dentists, doctors, nurses, pharmacists and scientists is the result of the Health Manpower Training Act he conceptualized. Low income families and this nation's economy were boosted by the Medicaid Anti-Fraud and Abuse Amendments of 1977 that he co-authored, and his Research on Aging Act was the forbearer of new knowledge that has kept this country on the cusp of better treatments and even possible cures or preventions for osteoporosis, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's and arthritis.

To quantify the number of individuals his work has impacted would span every demographic.

To interview all of the people who have been encouraged to volunteer because of Paul Rogers' persuasive pleas would take a lifetime. His groundbreaking legislation serves as a model for three decades of local, state and federally elected officials. His commitment to achieving innovative, non-partisan, non-confrontational solutions has been adopted by corporations, organizations and legislatures across the country.

Better health and improved quality of life are the hallmark commitments of the Honorable Paul G. Rogers, U.S. Congressman and citizen advocate extraordinaire.

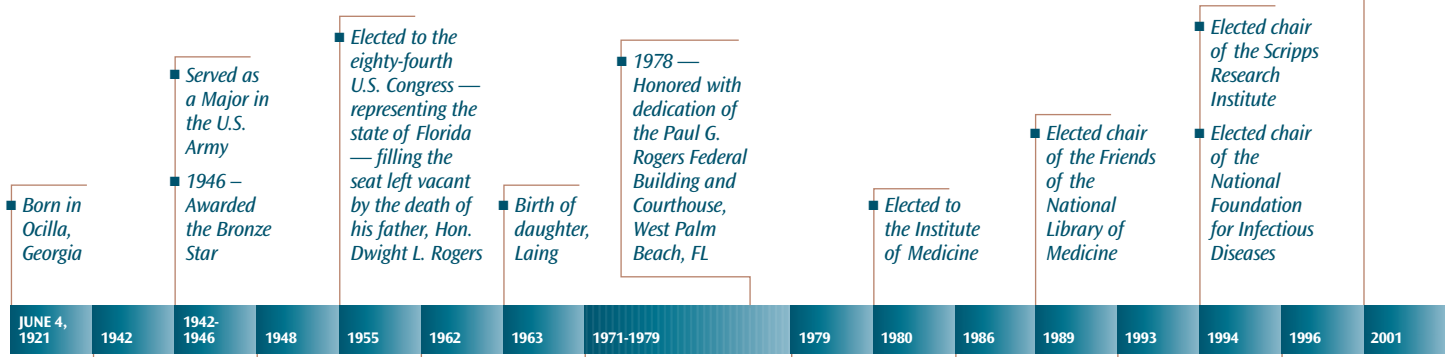
Selected Awards

- 1982 – National Academy of Sciences Public Welfare Medal
- 1987 – National Cancer Institute “Year 2000 Award”
- 1991 – National Health Lawyers Association Health Policy Award
- 1992 – National Coalition for Cancer Research “Founders Award”
- 1993 – Albert Lasker Award for Public Service
- 1994 – APhA Hugh Schaefer Award
- 1994 – Allied Signal Achievement Award in Aging
- 1994 – University of Florida Health Sciences Center Distinguished Leadership Award
- 1995 – National Osteoporosis Foundation Leadership Award
- 1996 – National Foundation for Infectious Diseases Maxwell Finland Award
- 1997 – American Cancer Society Distinguished Service Award
- 1998 – National Community Pharmacists Association Distinguished American's Award
- 2000 – Association of Academic Health Centers “Paul G. Rogers” Award

Milestones

from the **Life** of the
Honorable Paul G. Rogers

Dedication of Paul G. Rogers Plaza located at the James Shannon Building (Building 1), National Institutes of Health



JUNE 4, 1921 1942 1942-1946 1948 1955 1962 1963 1971-1979 1979 1980 1986 1989 1993 1994 1996 2001

■ Born in Ocilla, Georgia
 ■ Served as a Major in the U.S. Army
 ■ 1946 – Awarded the Bronze Star
 ■ Elected to the eighty-fourth U.S. Congress — representing the state of Florida — filling the seat left vacant by the death of his father, Hon. Dwight L. Rogers
 ■ Birth of daughter, Laing
 ■ 1978 — Honored with dedication of the Paul G. Rogers Federal Building and Courthouse, West Palm Beach, FL
 ■ Elected to the Institute of Medicine
 ■ Elected chair of the Friends of the National Library of Medicine
 ■ Elected chair of the Scripps Research Institute
 ■ Elected chair of the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases
 ■ B.A., University of Florida
 ■ J.D., University of Florida School of Law
 ■ Admitted to the Florida Bar
 ■ Married to Rebecca Rogers (née Bell)
 ■ Chair, House Subcommittee on Health and the Environment
 ■ Retired from U.S. Congress
 ■ Joined Hogan & Hartson, L.L.P.
 ■ Elected chair of the National Osteoporosis Foundation
 ■ Honored with the Albert Lasker Award for Public Service
 ■ Elected chair of Research!America

Among the numerous legislation introduced, sponsored and passed under his leadership, the following are selected highlights of Paul Rogers' career in the U.S. Congress.

- 1962 ■ Migrant Health Act
- 1970 ■ Clean Air Act
- Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act
- 1971 ■ Health Manpower Training Act
- National Cancer Act
- 1972 ■ Heart, Lung and Blood Act
- National Sickle Cell Anemia Control Act
- Noise Control Act
- 1973 ■ Emergency Medical Services Act
- 1974 ■ National Arthritis Act
- National Diabetes Mellitus Research and Education Act
- National Research Act
- Research on Aging Act
- Safe Drinking Water Act
- 1975 ■ Community Health Centers Act
- 1976 ■ Medical Device Amendments
- National Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Act
- 1977 ■ Medicare-Medicaid Anti-Fraud and Abuse Amendments
- National Cancer Act (reauthorization)



achievements

Honorable Paul G. Rogers Affiliations

Chair:

- Friends of the National Library of Medicine
- Institute of Medicine Roundtable on Environmental Health Sciences, Research, and Medicine
- National Foundation for Infectious Diseases
- National Osteoporosis Foundation
- Research!America
- Scripps Research Institute (*former chair*)

Co-chairman:

- National Leadership Coalition on Health Care

Board of Directors

- American Cancer Society
- American Federation for Aging Research
- CDC Foundation
- Cleveland Clinic Foundation
- Cordis Corporation (*former member*)
- Global Health Council
- Merck & Co. (*former member*)

Emeritus Trustee

- MONY — Life Insurance Co.
- RAND Corporation

Member of the Following Health Related Organizations:

- Campaign for Medical Research Advisory Council
- Council of the Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis
- Food, Drug and Cosmetic Law Committee of the American Bar Association
- Harvard School of Public Health Dean's Council
- Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences
- Lasker/Funding First Advisory Council
- National Health Lawyers Association
- University of Chicago Council for the Division of the Biological Sciences and the Pritzker School of Medicine
- University of Pennsylvania Medical Center Board of Trustees

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