

Joe Crowley

Former New York U.S. Representative (1999-2019)

For more than two decades, Joe Crowley served in the U.S House of Representatives, where he had the honor of serving the people of New York's 14 congressional district, which includes Joe's hometown of Woodside, Queens.

During his time in Congress, Joe spent 6 years serving in elected leadership, including two years as the Chairman of the Democratic Caucus - the fourth highest ranking position among House Democrats. His rise into the party leadership was a result of tireless work to elect Democrats at every level of government. He mentored colleagues and candidates and earned the respect of those he served alongside.

Joe was also a member of the prestigious Committee on Ways and Means, where he worked to protect Social Security and Medicare, championed efforts to make health care more affordable, and advocated cutting taxes for middle-class Americans and small businesses. He successfully helped shepherd legislation to reform laws that unfairly taxed foreign investment in U.S. commercial real estate and was a key voice in discussions on how tax reform should be designed to benefit working men and women, authoring legislation to provide a tax relief for renters.

Congressman Crowley was on the front line of efforts to pass the Affordable Care Act, enact marriage equality in New York State, and protect women's rights and human rights. He was also a three-time co-chair of the Congressional Caucus on India and Indian-Americans, co-chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Irish Affairs and an active member of the Friends of Ireland Caucus, chair of the New Democrat Coalition, and co-founder of both the Bangladesh Caucus and Rare Diseases Caucus.

Joe grew up in a hard-working, middle-class family. He graduated from Queens College, the pride of New York City's public university system. His father, was a New York City detective who put himself through law school, and his mother, an immigrant from Ireland, instilled in Joe a strong sense of family and community and a firm belief that America is a place of opportunity. Congressman Crowley is married to Kasey Crowley, a registered nurse. They have three children.