



Ted Ellis Biography

Ted Ellis is a native of Bluffton, Indiana, and was elected Mayor in 1995 after serving nine years on the Wells County Council. He is a graduate of Indiana University with a degree in economics.

Ellis is the elected treasurer of United Cities and Local Governments, the international association representing local and regional governments and their national associations. He is a past member of the Board of Directors of the National League of Cities and is a permanent member of its Advisory Council, having chaired its Information Technology and Communications Committee and its International Council. He was the recipient of a John J. McCloy fellowship in Urban Affairs to study city issues in Germany. He is past president of Indiana Association of Cities and Towns. Ted is a founding member of the Northeast Indiana Regional Partnership. He was named a “Sagamore of the Wabash” by the Governor of Indiana. The Indiana Association of Cities and Towns awarded him the Russell Lloyd Award for “outstanding contributions to local government.”

He is past president of the Bluffton Free Street Fair Association. Ted is Moderator of the First Baptist Church in Bluffton and past board member of the American Baptist Churches of Indiana. He serves on the boards of the Ossian State Bank, Bluffton Regional Medical Center and the Wells County Foundation. He is a life member of the American Mensa Society.

Ted’s wife, Marge, is a native of Holland, Michigan. They have four children and five grandchildren.