Nicholas Begich

(1932 - 16 Oct 1972)

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A Representative from Alaska; born in Eveleth, St. Louis County, Minn., April 6, 1932; attended the Eveleth public schools and Eveleth Junior College; BA, St. Cloud (Minn.) State College, 1952; MA, Univ. of Minnesota, Mpls., 1954; doctoral work at the Univ. of Colorado and N. Dakota; high school instructor, counselor and director, student personnel 1952-1959; principal and superintendent, Fort Richardson Schools, Alaska, 1959-1968; part-time instructor, Univ. of Alaska, Anchorage branch, 1956-1968; builder and manager of apartment houses in Anchorage, beginning in 1968; Alaska State senator, 1963-1971, serving as majority whip from 1967; elected as a Democrat to the 92nd and 93rd Congresses; disappeared while on a campaign flight from Anchorage to Juneau, Alaska, Oct. 16, 1972. Served from Jan. 3, 1971 until Dec. 29, 1972 at which time a presumptive death certificate was recorded in the State of Alaska.