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## Tom Lee's Biography

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WHO IS RATING LEE ?

### Personal

**Full Name:**

Tom Lee

**Gender:**

Male

**Family:**

Wife: Laurel; 3 Children: Regan, Brandon, Faith

**Birth Date:**

01/21/1962

**Birth Place:**

San Antonio, TX

**Home City:**

Brandon, FL

**Religion:**

Catholic

**Education** 

BS, Business, University of Tampa, 1984

AA, Hillsborough Community College, 1982

**Political Experience** 

Senator, Florida State Senate, District 20, 2016-2020

Candidate, Florida State Senate, District 20, 2016, 2018

Senator, Florida State Senate, 1996-2006, 2012-2016

Deputy Majority Leader, Florida State Senate, 2012-2014

President, Florida State Senate, 2004-2006

**Caucuses/Formal Committees** 

Former Member, Appropriations Committee, Florida State Senate

Former Member, Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education, Florida State Senate

Former Member, Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K-12 Education, Florida State Senate

Former Member, Banking and Insurance Committee, Florida State Senate

Former Chair, Community Affairs Committee, Florida State Senate

Former Member, Economic Development Steering Committee, Team Florida

Former Member, Education Committee, Florida State Senate

Former Member, Ethics and Elections Committee, Florida State Senate

Former Chair, Infrastructure and Security Committee, Florida State Senate

Former Member, Joint Committee on Legislative Auditing, Florida State Senate

Former Member, Rules Committee, Florida State Senate

Former Member, Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development, Florida State Senate

### **Professional Experience**



Vice President/Director, Sabal Homes of Florida Incorporated, 1984-present

Florida Vice Chair, George W. Bush for President, 2004

### **Religious, Civic, and other Memberships**



Member, Board of Directors, A Kid's Place, 2008-present

Member, Board of Trustees, Tampa Bay History Center, 2008-present

Member, Board of Directors, First Housing Development Corporation, Florida, 1997-present

Charter Member, Brandon '86 Rotary Club, 1986-present

Former Member, Advisory Board, Brandon Division, Bank of Tampa

Former Member, Brandon Chamber of Commerce

Member, Board of Directors, Center Place Fine Arts and Cultural Center, 1996-2006

Delegate, Republican National Convention, 2004

Member, Board of Trustees, Brandon Regional Hospital, 1998-2003

Member/President, Greater Brandon Chamber of Commerce, 1988-1991, 1992-1995, 2000-2003

Member, Energy 2020 Commission, 2000

Member, Florida School Construction Finance Commission, 1999

Member, Alternative Education Institute Working Group, 1998

Member, Executive Committee, Republican Party, Florida, 1998

Member, Southern States Energy Board, 1998

Member, Hillsborough County City/County Planning Commission, 1992-1995

Member, Hillsborough County Zoning Board of Adjustment, 1991-1993

Member, Board of Directors, Hillsborough Community College, 1986-1992

Member, Brandon Transportation Task Force, 1992

Graduate, Leadership Brandon Program, 1986

### **Additional Information**



#### **Awards:**

U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Legislative Achievement Award, 2006;  
Hillsborough Community College Distinguished Alumni;  
Theodore Roosevelt Society, Legislator of the Year;  
Sun Coast League of Municipalities, Bill Bartholomew Good Government Award;  
Hillsborough County Commission, Ellsworth Simmons Good Government Award;  
Florida League of Cities, Quality Floridian Award;  
Brandon Chamber of Commerce, Community Leadership Award;  
Florida Sheriffs Association, Legislator of the Year;  
Florida Sheriffs Association, Award for Leadership in Service to Law Enforcement;  
Florida Police Chiefs Association, Legislative Achievement Award;  
Florida Association of Realtors, Legislator of the Year;  
Florida Tax Collectors, Legislator of the Year;  
Sierra Club of Florida, Legislator of the Year;  
Florida Association of Post-Secondary Schools & Colleges, Legislator of the Year;  
The Wall Street Journal, Selected as Rising Star in the Florida Senate;  
Florida Christian Coalition, Faith and Family Award;  
Florida Medical Association, Legislative Appreciation Award;  
American Planning Society Legislator of the Year;  
Florida Restaurant Association, Government Relations Award;  
PACE Center for Girls, Legislative Leadership Award;  
Associated General Contractors of Florida, Legislator of the Year;  
American Cancer Society, Legislative Leadership Award;  
Florida Homebuilders Association, Legislator of the Year;  
Florida Tax Collectors Association, Legislative Appreciation Award;  
Independent Colleges and Universities, Guardian of Independent Education;  
Greater Brandon Chamber of Commerce, President's Award;

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