



State Sen. Jim Tomes has represented Hoosiers of Southwest Indiana since his election in 2010. As a state senator, he represents Senate District 49, which includes all of Posey County and portions of Gibson and Vanderburgh counties.

Tomes serves as the chair of the Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs and the Military, the ranking member of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation as well as a member on the Senate Committees on Agriculture, Local Government; and Natural Resources.

For 33 years, Tomes was employed in the trucking industry as a teamster and union steward, and is now retired. Tomes is a graduate of Mater Dei High School and holds an associate degree from Ivy Tech. He served in the Army for three years, one in Vietnam with the 101st Airborne Division, and is a member and past Commander of Wadesville VFW Post 6576.

Tomes is one of the founders of the 2nd Amendment Patriots gun rights grassroots organization, and has served as its director since its inception in January of 1999. He is also a parishioner of St. Wendel Catholic Church where he serves as a Eucharistic Minister, and is a member of the Knights of St. John.

Tomes and his wife of 52 years, Margie, reside in Wadesville and have three grown children and four grandchildren.