



BIOGRAPHY

CONGRESSMAN DAN BENISHEK M.D.

Dan Benishek was born in Iron River, Michigan. His father worked for the Civilian Conservation Corps and then in the iron mines of Iron County. Dan's father died in a mining accident in 1957 and Dan's mother, with the help of family, raised Dan and his brother, Tim.

He graduated from West Iron County High School in 1970. Dan went on to earn a B.S. in Biology from the University of Michigan in 1974 and graduated from Wayne State Medical School in 1978. Dan completed a Family Practice internship in Flint at St Joseph's Hospital. He completed his General Surgery residency back at Wayne State in Detroit. He has served as a general surgeon in Michigan's Upper Peninsula in a private practice since 1983. He has worked part-time at the Oscar G. Johnson VA Medical Center in Iron Mountain for the past twenty years. Dan and his wife, Judy, currently live in Crystal Falls. They have five children and three grandchildren.

Dr. Benishek is an avid hunter and fisherman and a proud member of the NRA and the GOA. Prior to being sworn into Congress on January 5, 2011, Dr. Benishek had never sought nor held any previous public office.