

Ruth Fudge

Ruth is a native Californian born in Hopeville in the Imperial Valley. She is a life-long Republican. Ruth and her husband, Royer have been married for 56 years. They have three children: Robert, Alice and Ann, nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Ruth first became involved in politics as a member of the Imperial Valley Young Republicans. In 1966 Gubernatorial Candidate Ronald Reagan came to Laurel Avenue in Upland for a neighborhood meeting at a neighbors house and Ruth, as a volunteer and supporter was able to meet and speak with him.



Though she actively volunteered for many candidates a couple stand out in her memory: The “Four More Years” Nixon Rally in 1972, when she took her three kids to Ontario Airport; Congressional Candidate David Dreier’s race for the House of Representatives in 1979; Assemblyman Chuck Bader’s 1988 re-election campaign; and Jim Brulte’s 1990 Assembly campaign.

In 1990 she was able to once again meet Ronald Reagan, this time as President, when she volunteered at the “Get Out The Vote” Rally at Chaffey College attended by Bob Hope, Pete Wilson, Matt Fong, Chuck Bader and Jim Brulte.

In 1989 and 1990 she was a daily fixture at Chuck Bader’s campaign office when he ran for the State Senate. She was involved in helping with anything and everything: mailings, precinct walking board assembly, bulk mail “Card to 25”, yard signs, phone bank lists, etc. On the weekends Ruth could be found walking precincts and holding down the fort on yard and street sign days. She was a frequent host of nighttime mailings at her home for the many devoted women of CCRWF, many of which were marathon mailings.

Her loyalty to the party and its candidates is what has kept her an active supporter whenever there is mail to get out. She has volunteered many hours at our Party Headquarters whether at Baseline and Carnelian, Center Street or the newer location in Upland.

Ruth says she supports Republican ideals, especially: Small Government, Individual Responsibility, Less Entitlements, National Security and Lower Taxes.

In addition to being an active volunteer in the political world, Ruth has also given her time to the Assistance League, the Hospital Auxiliary at San Antonio Hospital and the First Presbyterian Church of Upland where she is a long time member.