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Member of the [U.S. House of Representatives](#)
from [Kansas's 2nd district](#)

In office

November 27, 1996 – January 3, 2007

Preceded by [Sam Brownback](#)

Succeeded by [Nancy Boyda](#)

Personal details

Born James Ronald Ryun
April 29, 1947 (age 77)
[Wichita, Kansas](#), U.S.

Political party [Republican](#)

Spouse(s) Anne Ryun

Residence [Jefferson County, Kansas](#)

[Alma mater](#) [University of Kansas](#)

Occupation Athlete, sports management executive

Sports career

Personal information

Nationality [American](#)

Height 188 cm (6 ft 2 in)^[1]

Weight 76 kg (168 lb)

Country [United States](#)

Sport [Athletics/Track](#), [Mid-distance running](#)

Event(s) [Mile](#), [1500 meters](#), [800 meters](#)

College team [Kansas Jayhawks](#)

Club Club West

Sports achievements and titles

1964 Tokyo
1500 m, 18th (sf)

[Olympic finals](#) 1968 Mexico City
1500 m, 2 Silver

1972 Munich
1500 m, 55th (h)

Outdoors
[880 yd/800 m](#): 1:44.9/1:44.3 ([Terre Haute](#) 1966)
[1500 m](#): 3:33.1 ([Los Angeles](#) 1967)
[Mile](#): 3:51.1 ([Bakersfield](#) 1967)
[2-mile](#): 8:25.2 [AJR](#) ([Los Angeles](#) 1966)
[5000 m](#): 13:38.2 ([Bakersfield](#) 1972)

Indoor
[880 yd/800 m](#) 1:48.3i/1:47.7i ([Lawrence](#) 1967)

Personal best(s)

Mile: 3:56.4i ([San Diego](#) 1971)

Medal record

Men's athletics		
Representing United States		
Olympic Games		
Silver medal – second place	1968 Mexico City	1500 m

James Ronald "Jim" Ryun (born April 29, 1947) is an American politician and Olympic [track and field](#) athlete. He won a silver medal in the [1500 m at the 1968 Summer Olympics](#). Ryun later was in the [United States House of Representatives](#) from 1996 to 2007, representing [Kansas' 2nd congressional district](#) for the [Republican Party](#).

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- [Kansas Sports Hall of Fame entry](#)
- [1968 Olympic 1500 final](#) on [YouTube](#)
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