



**ELLEN MARIE KOIVISTO**

*Democrat  
Clark County Assembly  
District No. 14  
Retired*



**Born:** 1943 – Morris, Minnesota

**Educated:** Morris High School; Mesabi Community College; University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), continuing education classes

**Married:** Victor Koivisto Sr.

**Children:** Beth Medina, Kristina Tackett, Victor Koivisto, Jr., Valerie Fitzpatrick

**Grandchildren:** Thirteen

**Great grandchildren:** Two

**Hobbies/Special Interests:** Quilting, sewing, reading, traveling

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 1997-2009 (*first elected November 1996*)—nine special and seven regular sessions.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Paradise Democratic Club; Clark County Women’s Democratic Club; Seniors United; Nevada Women’s Lobby; Clark County Democratic Central Committee; Heritage United Methodist Church; Nevada Network Against Domestic Violence; Nevada National Organization for Women; Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation; WILL/WAND (Women Legislators’ Lobby/Women’s Actions for New Directions); Women’s Research Institute of Nevada, New Leadership.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** National Conference of State Legislatures’ Election Chairs Conference, Aspen, Colorado, 2007; UNLV Television Town Hall Panel-Health Care, December 2001; Speaker, Nevada Social Workers Conference, UNLV, April 2000; America’s Legislators Back to School Week, September, 1999-2004; Guest Speaker, Duane D. Keller Middle School 7th Grade Awards Ceremony, May 2000; Judge, History Day 2000, Nevada State Museum, Lorenzi Park, Las Vegas; Speaker, Nevada Public Health Association Annual Meeting, October 1999; UNLV Television Town Hall Panel Participant-Health Care Reform, November 1999; Alternate, UNLV Range Shooting Team, Corporate Challenge, 1996; Participant, UNLV Race Walk, Corporate Challenge, 1995; Member, Inaugural Class-Western Legislative Academy, The Council of State Governments–WEST; PAYBAC Program–Duane D. Keller Middle School and Dell Robison Middle School.

