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Patrick T. "Pat" Hickey (born August 17, 1950) is an [American politician](#) and a [Republican](#) member of the [Nevada Assembly](#) representing Assembly District 25 in [Washoe County](#).^[1] In 2009 his autobiography, *Tahoe Boy: A Journey Back Home* was published by Seven Locks Press of Cabin John, Maryland.^{[2][3]}

Hickey was born in [Carson City, Nevada](#).^[4] As a young man he refused induction into the United States military during the [Vietnam War](#), dropped out of college, and travelled through [Canada](#) as a "hippie." Soon after this he joined the [Unification Church of the United States](#) which at that time had only recently been founded.^[2] Hickey worked in the Unification Church as a state leader and regional spokesperson. In 1978 he was matched with his wife, Shin Myung-hee of [South Korea](#), by church founder [Sun Myung Moon](#). They were married in 1982 in a [Blessing ceremony of the Unification Church](#), held in [Madison Square Garden](#) in [New York City](#), along with over 2000 other couples. They now have four grown children.^[2]

Hickey moved to Nevada in the 1990s and worked as a reporter as well as founding a [house painting](#) company. In 1996 he was elected to the Nevada State Assembly and served for one term.^[5] In 2010 he ran again and was elected. He is a member of the [Republican Party](#) and has advocated conservative positions on [taxation](#) and [immigration](#). He is now a member of the [Roman Catholic Church](#), in which he was originally raised.^[1]

Hickey resigned in January 2016 in order to join the Nevada Board of Education.^[6]

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Pat Hickey

Member of the Nevada Assembly from the 25th district

In office

2011 – January 12, 2016

Preceded by [Heidi Gansert](#)

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Member of the Nevada Assembly from the 27th district

In office

1997–1998

Preceded by [Thomas Batten](#)

Succeeded by [Sheila Leslie](#)

Personal details

Born August 17, 1950 (age 68)
[Carson City, Nevada, U.S.](#)

Political party [Republican](#)

Spouse(s) [Shin Myung-hee](#)

Gazette-Journal, July 26, 2009

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