

HAROLD E. BYRD, JR., MPA, J.D.

**Ward 5 Councilman
City of Bradenton**

Harold is the son of the Late Rev. Harold E. Byrd, Sr. and Former Manatee County School Board Member Ruby Byrd. He is a product of Manatee County School District. He received his B.A. in business management from Eckerd College, a Juris Doctor from Florida A&M College of Law, and a Master of Public Administration from University of Phoenix.

He now serves as Ward 5 Councilman, City of Bradenton, and also served in that role in 1989-1995. He is certified as a Redevelopment Professional by the Florida Redevelopment Association. He served as Vice Mayor twice, and now is vice chairman for the Bradenton Community Redevelopment Agency. He is a member of many organizations and has lobbied to provide funding for affordable housing for over 20 years. He is also involved with the Florida Black Caucus of Local Elected officials.

Harold served on the Board of Directors of many organizations, including, United Way of Manatee County, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, and Manatee Council. He serves as Executive Director of Harold E. Byrd, Sr. Educational Foundation.

Harold has been awarded for his many accomplishments by organizations such as Atlantic Regional Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; March of Dimes; City of Sarasota; Manatee Opportunity Council; Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.; and The National Forum For Black Public Administrators.

With his latest educational attainment, Harold would like to utilize his many years of government experience to teach public policy and law at the college level.