



Shirley Chisholm

Party: Democratic • **Chamber:** House

State: NY • **District:** 12

Biography

A Representative from New York. Born Shirley Anita St. Hill, November 30, 1924, in Brooklyn, Kings County, N. Y. Attended public schools of Brooklyn, N. Y. B. A. , Brooklyn College, 1946. M. A. , Columbia University, 1952. Nursery school teacher, 1946-1953. Director, Hamilton-Madison Child Care Center, New York City, 1953-1959. Educational consultant, Division of Day Care, New York City, 1959-1964. Assemblywoman, New York State Legislature, 1964-1968. Elected as a Democrat to the Ninety-first and to the six succeeding Congresses (January 3, 1969-January 3, 1983). Was not a candidate for reelection to the Ninety-eighth Congress in 1982. Unsuccessful candidate for the Democratic nomination for President of the United States in 1972. Died on January 1, 2005, in Ormond Beach, Fla. Interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Buffalo, N. Y. Awarded posthumously the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Barack Obama, 2015.

Legislative Activity (–)

Bills sponsored: 0

Bills cosponsored: 0