

Gerald R. Ford

Party: Republican • **Chamber:** House**State:** MI • **District:** 5

Biography

A Representative from Michigan, Vice President, and thirty-eighth President of the United States. Born in Omaha, Douglas County, Nebr. , July 14, 1913. Moved to Grand Rapids, Mich. , 1914 and attended the public schools. Graduated, University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, Mich. , 1935. Graduated from Yale University Law School, New Haven, Conn. , 1941. Admitted to the bar in 1941. Served in the United States Navy 1942-1946. Elected as a Republican to the Eighty-first Congress. Reelected to the twelve succeeding Congresses and served from January 3, 1949, until his resignation from the United States House of Representatives December 6, 1973, to become the fortieth Vice President of the United States. Minority leader (Eighty-ninth through Ninety-third Congresses). First Vice President to be nominated by the President and confirmed by the Congress pursuant to the twenty-fifth amendment to the Constitution of the United States. Sworn in as the thirty-eighth President of the United States, August 9, 1974, when President Richard M. Nixon resigned, and served until January 20, 1977. Unsuccessful candidate for election in 1976. Died on December 26, 2006, in Rancho Mirage, Calif. Lay in state in the Capitol Rotunda, December 30, 2006, to January 2, 2007. Interment at the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum and Library, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Legislative Activity (–)

Bills sponsored: 0**Bills cosponsored:** 0