



Norman Y. Mineta

Party: Democratic • **Chamber:** House

State: CA • **District:** 15

Service: 1975–1997

Most recent Congress: 104

Biography

A Representative from California. Born in San Jose, Santa Clara County, Calif. , November 12, 1931. Attended public schools in San Jose, Heart Mountain, Wyo. , and Evanston, Ill. Graduated, San Jose High School, San Jose, Calif. , 1949. B. S. , University of California, Berkeley, 1953. Insurance business. Served in the United States Army, 1953-1956. Member of San Jose (Calif.) human relations commission, 1962-1964. Member of the board of directors, San Jose (Calif.) housing authority, 1966-1967. San Jose, Calif. , city councilman, 1967-1971. Vice mayor of San Jose, Calif. , 1968-1971. Mayor, San Jose, Calif. , 1971-1974. Delegate to the California State Democratic conventions, 1971-1974. Delegate to the Democratic National Convention, 1972, 1976, 1980, and 1984. Elected as a Democrat to the Ninety-fourth Congress and to the ten succeeding Congresses (January 3, 1975-October 10, 1995). Resigned October 10, 1995. Chairman, Committee on Public Works and Transportation (One Hundred Third Congress). Secretary of Commerce in the Cabinet of President William J. Clinton, 2000-2001. Secretary of Transportation in the Cabinet of President George W. Bush, 2001-2006. Awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President George W. Bush, 2006. Died on May 3, 2022, in Edgewater, Md. Interment at Oak Hill Memorial Park, San Jose, Calif.

Legislative Activity (1975–1997)

Bills sponsored: 0

Bills cosponsored: 0