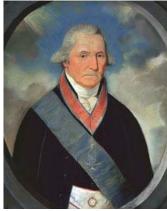
FAMOUS MASONS

There have been thousands of prominent men through the years who were members of the Masonic Order as well. Here is a few pictures of them, as well as a list of "Famous Masons"









Brother George Washington - First President of the United States. Member and Past Master of Alexandria Lodge No. 22, Alexandria, Va.



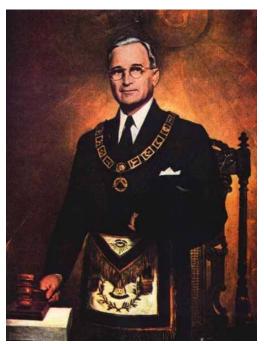
Acting Grand Master, Bro. Washington lays the cornerstone for the United States Capitol, in Washington, D.C. on September 18, 1793



Brother John Wayne - 33° (5/26/1907 - 6/11/1979) Marion McDaniel Lodge No. 56, Tucson, AZ AI Malaika Temple A.A.O.N.M.S. - L.A. Calif.



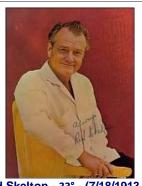
Jack Halterman, Sr., Co-Founder of Los Angeles Fraternal Supply Company, shaking hands with Bro. and Noble John Wayne in the early 1970's



Brother Harry S. Truman
Belton Lodge #450 & Grandview Lodge #618
Most Worshipful Grand Master of Missouri - 1940



Edwin E. "Buzz" Aldrin 33°- Apollo 11 astronaut Pictured with Bro. Roland Stayton, of Shively Lodge #951, & his wife, Barbara, along with Illustrious Potentate Roger Smith & his wife, Barbara, at the Kosair Shrine Temple - May 2001 for Derby Week (CLICK PIC TO VIEW FULL SIZE)



Brother Red Skelton - 33° - (7/18/1913 - 9/17/1997)
Vincennes Lodge No. 1 - Vincennes, Indiana
September 20, 1939, Member of both the
Scottish & York Rite Bodies; Recipient of the
General Grand Chapter's Gold Medal for
Distinguished Service in the Arts & Sciences;
Coroneted an Inspector General Honorary Thirtythird Degree in Boston, Massachusetts, by the
Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the Scottish
Rite on September 24, 1969; Member of the Al
Malaikah Temple in Los Angeles, California;
Recipient of the Grand Lodge Award of Gold
from the Grand Lodge of Indiana in 1993.



Brother Mel Tillis - 33° - Country Music Singer Branson Lodge No. 587, Branson, Missouri on 12/14/1992; Raised to a 33° Mason at the House of the Temple in Washington, D.C., in 1998. On October 11th, 1999, Mel was honored with the Grand Cross.



GEORGE WASHINGTON

First President, born 1731/2, died 1799. Initiated Nov. 4, 1752, passed March 3, 1753, raised Aug. 4, 1753 all in Fredericksburg Lodge (later No. 4) at Fredericksburg, Va. Charter Master, Alexandria Lodge No. 22, Alexandria, Va., April 28, 1788 and reelected Dec. 20 1788.



JAMES MONROE

5th President, born 1758; died 1831. Initiated in Williamsburg Lodge No. 6 at Williamsburg, Va., Nov. 9, 1775, but there is no record of his taking any further degrees. The records of Cumberland Lodge No. 8 in Tennessee, June 8, 1819, show a reception for Monroe as "a Brother of the Craft."



ANDREW JACKSON

7th President, born 1767, died 1829. Grand Master of Tennessee, 1822-23. His lodge is unknown but he is said to have attended at Clover Bottom Lodge under the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. He was present in Lodge at Greeneville in 1801 and acted as Senior Warden pro tempore. The records of St. Tammany Lodge No. 29 at Nashville, which became Harmony Lodge No. 1 under the Grand Lodge of Tennessee, show that Jackson was a member.



JAMES K. POLK

11th President, born 1795; died 1849. Initiated, passed, and raised in Columbia Lodge No. 31, Columbia, Tenn. Exalted a Royal Arch Mason in La Fayette Chapter No. 4 at Columbia in 1825.



JAMES BUCHANAN

15th President, Born 1791; died 1868;(1857-1861). Initiated December 11, 1816, in Lodge 43, at Lancaster, PA. Passed and raised in 1817. Junior Warden in 1821 and 1822. Master in 1825. Also Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.



ANDREW JOHNSON

17th President, born 1808 died 1875; initiated, passed and raised in Greeneville Lodge No. 119 now No. 3 at Greeneville, Tenn. in 1851. Probably a member of Greeneville Chapter No. 82 Royal Arch Masons, since he joined Nashville Commandery of Knights Templar No. 1 in 1859. He received the Scottish Rite degrees in the White House in 1867.



JAMES A. GARFIELD

20th President, born 1831; died 1881; initiated and passed in Magnolia Lodge No. 20, Columbus, Ohio, and raised in Columbus Lodge No.30, 1864. Affiliated with Garrettsville Lodge No. 246 in 1866 Affiliated with Pentalpha Lodge No. 23 Washington, D. C. as charter member in 1869. Exalted in Columbus Royal Arch Chapter, 1866 and Knight Templar, 1866. 14th Degree Scottish Rite, 1872.



WILLIAM MCKINLEY

25th President, born 1843; died 1901; is sometimes said to have been initiated, passed, and raised in Hiram Lodge No. 10 in Winchester, West Virginia in 1865. But William Moseley Brown is authority for the statement that this event took place in Hiram Lodge No. 21 at Winchester, Virginia in that year. McKinley affiliated with Canton Lodge No. 60 at Canton, Ohio in 1867 and later became a charter member of Eagle Lodge No. 43. He received the Capitular degrees in Canton in 1883 and was made a Knight Templar in 1884.



THEODORE ROOSEVELT

26th President, born 1858, died 1919. Initiated, passed, and raised in Matinecock Lodge No. 806, Oyster Bay, N. Y. in 1901.



WILLIAM H. TAFT

27th President, born 1857; died 1930. Made a Mason at sight in Kilwinning Lodge No. 356, Cincinnati, Ohio in 1901. Evidently, that made him a member at large, for the Grand Lodge issued him a demit and he became a member of the above lodge.



WARREN G. HARDING

29th President born 1865; died 1923. Initiated in Marion Lodge No. 70, Marion, Ohio, 1901. He received no other degree until after becoming President. He was passed and raised in Marion Lodge in 1920, Royal Arch Chapter degrees in Marion Chapter No. 62 in 1921; Knight Templar in Marion Commandery No. 36, in 1921. Scottish Rite and Shrine in 1921.



FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

32nd President, born 1882; died 1945. Initiated, passed, and raised in Holland Lodge No. 8, New York City, in 1911, 32nd Degree Scottish Rite in Albany Consistory 1929, Shrine in 1930.



HARRY S TRUMAN

33rd President, Born May 8, 1884, Lamar, Missouri. Received the degrees in Belton Lodge No 450; organized and became a charter member of Grandview No. 618. Served as both district lecturer and deputy Grand Master for several years. Elected Grand Master of Masons in Missouri in 1940. He always claimed this was the greatest honor that had ever come to him. He received the first Gourgas

Medal of the Scottish Rite, NMJ granted while he was serving as a Senator. Elected vice-president in 1944 and became President on the death of Franklin D. Roosevelt (a Mason) on April 12, 1945. He died on December 26 1972. On the 28th he was buried on his library's grounds with impressive rites. These included the only Masonic funeral service ever televised worldwide.



LYNDON B. JOHNSON

36th President of the US. Initiated on October 30, 1937, in Johnson City Lodge 561, Johnson City, TX., but unfortunately never returned to Freemasonry (due to Congressional, Vice-Presidential and Presidential duties) and completed the next two degrees, the Fellow Craft Degree and the Master Mason Degree.

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GERALD R. FORD

38th President, Born July 14, 1913 as Leslie L. King, Jr. He was later adopted and took the name of his mother's second husband (a Freemason). Became President on August 9, 1974 on the resignation of Richard Nixon (not a Mason). Ford received the degrees in Malta Lodge No. 405, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Brother Ford was the 1974 recipient of the NY Grand Lodge Distinguished Achievement Award, the highest honor that can be presented by the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York.

FAMOUS MASONS

Abbott, Sir John J.C. - Prime Minister of Canada 1891-92

Abbott, Robert Sengstacke - Founder/publisher "Chicago Defender"

Allen, Richard - Founder/first bishop AME Church

Allende, Salvador - President of Chile, overthrown in 1970

Armstrong, Louis - Jazz Musician

Arnold, General Henry "Hap" - Commander of the Army Air Force

Atkins, Chet - Musician

Austin, Stephen F. - Father of Texas

Autry, Gene - Actor

Baldwin, Henry - Supreme Court Justice

Balfour, Lloyd - Jewelry

Bartholdi, Frederic A. - Designed the Statue of Liberty

Basie, William "Count" - Orchestra leader/composer

Baylor, Robert E. B. - Founder Baylor University

Bell, Lawrence - Bell Aircraft Corp

Bennett, Viscount R. B. - Prime Minister of Canada 1930-35

Black, Hugo L. - Supreme Court Justice Blair, Jr., John - Supreme Court Justice

Blake, James Herbert "Eubie" - Composer/pianist

Blatchford, Samuel - Supreme Court Justice

Bolivar, Simon - South American freedom fighter

Borden, Sir Robert L. - Prime Minister of Canada 1911-1920

Borgnine, Ernest - Actor

Botha, Pik - Former Foreign Minister of South Africa

Bowell, Sir Mackenzie - Prime Minister of Canada 1894-96

Bowie, James - Alamo

Bradley, Thomas - Former mayor of Los Angeles, California

Brant, Joseph - Chief of the Mohawks 1742 - 1807

Brundage, Avery - Olympic Committee Bryan, Richard - U.S. Senator Burbank, Luther - Pioneering botanist

Burnett, David G. - 1st President of the Republic of Texas

Burns, Conrad - U.S. Senator

Burns, Robert - The National Poet of Scotland

Burton, Harold H. - Supreme Court Justice

Byrd, Robert - U.S. Senator

Byrd, Admiral Richard E. - Flew over North Pole

Byrnes, James F. - Supreme Court Justice

Cain, Michael - Actor

Calvo, Father Francisco - Catholic Priest who started Freemasonry in Costa Rica Marshall, James W. - Discovered Gold at Sutter's Mill California 1848

Campbell, Sir Malcolm - Land speed record holder

Carlson, Curtis L. - Entrepreneur

Carnahan, Melvin - Governor of Missouri

Carson, Christopher "Kit" - Frontiersman, scout and explorer

Casanova - Italian Adventurer, writer and entertainer

Catton, John - Supreme Court Justice

Chagall, Marc - Artist

Chrysler, Walter P. - Automotive fame Churchill, Sir Winston - British Leader

Hoover, J. Edgar - Director of

member of the Baseball Hall of Fame

Houston, Sam - 2nd & 4th President of the Republic of

Humphrey, Hubert H. - Vice President of the

Hornsby, Roger - An original

Jackson,

U.S.Irwin, Jim - Astronaut

lves, Burle

-Musician Robert H. - Supreme Court Justice

James, Daniel "Chappie" - General U.S. Air Force

Jenner, Edward - Inventor - Vaccination for Small Pox

Johnson, John A 'Jack' - Heavyweight boxing title holder, 1908-1915

Johnson, John H. - Publisher EBONY and Jet magazines

Johnston, Jr., J. Bennett - U.S. Senator

Jolson, AI - Acted in the first 'talking picture,' The Jazz Singer

Jones, Anson - 5th President of the Republic of Texas

Jones, John Paul - Naval Commander

Jones, Melvin - One of the founders of the Lions

International Keaton, Buster - Movie pioneer

Kemp, Jack - Former U.S. Congressman/sports hero

Kern, Jerome - Composer

Key, Francis Scott - Wrote U.S. National Anthem

Kipling, Rudyard - Writer

Knox, Henry - Revolutionary War General

Lafayette, Marquis de - Supporter of American Freedom

Lake, Simon - Built first submarine successful in open sea

Lamar, Joseph E. - Supreme Court Justice

Lamar, Mirabeau B. - 3rd President of the Republic of Texas

Land, Frank S. - Founder Order of DeMolay

Lemon, Mark - Founder of Punch, humorous British magazine

Lewis, Meriwether - Explorer

Lincoln, Elmo - First actor to play Tarzan of the Apes (1918)

Lindbergh, Charles - Aviator

Lipton, Sir Thomas - Tea

Livingston, Robert - Co-Negotiator for purchase of Louisiana Territory

Lloyd, Harold C. - Entertainer Lott, Trent - U.S. Senator

MacArthur, General Douglas - Commander of Armed Forces in Philipines MacDonald, Sir John A. - Prime Minister of Canada 1867-73 & 1878-91

Marshall, John - Chief Justice U.S. Supreme Court 1801 - 1835

Marshall, Thurgood - Supreme Court Justice Mathews, Stanley - Supreme Court Justice

Mayer, Louis B. - Film producer - formed Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer (MGM)

Mayo, Dr. William and Charles - Began Mayo Clinic

Mays, Benjamin - Educator/former president Atlanta University

Maytag, Fredrick - Maytag

Menninger, Karl A. - Psychiatrist famous for treating mental illness Mellon, Andrew - American industrialis, banker and philanthropist Mesmer, Franz Anton - Practiced Mesmerism which led to Hypnotism

Citroen, Andre - French Engineer and motor car manufacturer

Clark, Roy - Country Western Star Clark, Thomas C. - Supreme Court Justice

Clark, William - Explorer

Clarke, John H. - Supreme Court Justice Clemens, Samuel L. - Mark Twain - writer

Cobb, Ty - Baseball Player

Cody, "Buffalo Bill" William - Indian fighter, Wild West Show

Cohan, George M. - Broadway star Cole, Nat 'King' - Great ballad singer Collodi, Carlo - Writer of Pinocchio Colt, Samuel - Firearms inventor

Combs, Earle Bryan - Baseball Hall of Fame

Cooper, Gordon - Astronaut

Crockett, David - American Frontiersman and Alamo fame

Cushing, William - Supreme Court Justice

Dempsey, Jack - Sports

Desaguliers, John Theophilus - Inventor of the planetarium Devanter, Willis Van - Supreme Court Justice Diefenbaker, John G. - Prime Minister of Canada 1957-63

Disney, Walt - Cartoonist/movies Dole, Robert - U.S. Senator

Doolittle, General James - Famous Army Air Corps Pilot

Douglas, William O. - Supreme Court Justice Dow, William H. - Dow Chemical Co.

Doyle, Sir Author Conan - Writer - Sherlock Holmes Drake, Edwin L - American Pioneer of the Oil industry DuBois, W.E.B. - Educator/scholar

Dunant, Jean Henri - Founder of the Red Cross

Edward VII - King of England

Edward VIII - King of England who abdicated the throne in less than 1 year Ellery, William - 1 of 9 Masonic signers of the Declaration of Independence

Ellington, Duke - Composer, Arranger and Stylist

Ellsworth, Oliver - Supreme Court Justice Elway, John - Hall of Fame Quarterback of the Denver Broncos Evers, Medger Wiley - Civil rights leader Ervin Jr, Samual J. - U. S. Senator - headed "Watergate" committee

Faber, Eberhard - Head of the famous Eberhard Faber Pencil Company

Fairbanks, Douglas - Silent film actor Field, Stephen J. - Supreme Court Justice

Fields, W.C. - Actor

Fisher, Geoffrey - Archbishop of Canterbury 1945 - 1961

Fitch, John - Inventor of the Steamboat Fleming, Sir Alexander - Discovered Penicillin Forten, James - Abolitionist/manufacturer Fortune, Timothy Thomas - Journalist

Freeman, Orville - Former governor of Minnesota and secretary of U.S. Dept. of

Agriculture Gable, Clark - Actor

Garibaldi, Giuseppe - Italian freedom fighter Gatling, Richard J. - Built the "Gatling Gun" George VI - King of England during W.W. II

Gibbon, Edward - Writer - Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire Gilbert, Sir William S. - Was the libretis for "Pirates of Penzance"

Gillette, King C. - Gillette Razor Co. Glenn, John H. - First American to orbit the earth/U.S. Senator Godfrey, Arthur - Radio and early television personality

Goldwater, Barry - Former U.S. Senator

Gompers, Samuel - Founder American Federation of Labor

Grassley, Charles - U.S. Senator

Gray, Harold Lincoln - Creator of "Little Orphan Annie" Gris, Juan - Spanish artist- Synthetic Cubism

Grissom, Virgil - Astronaut Grock - Swiss Circus Clown

Guillotin, Joseph Ignace - Inventor of the "Guillotin" Hall, Prince - First black American Freemason

Haley, Alex - Author of "Roots"

Hampton, Lionel - Orchestra leader/composer

Hancock, John - 1 of 9 Masonic signers of Declaration of Independence

Handel, George Fredrick - Composer

Handy, William C. - Composer "Father of the Blues" Hardy, Oliver - Actor - Comedian

Harlan, John M. - Supreme Court Justice Harvey, Paul - Radio personality Hatfield, Mark - U.S. Senator

Hawkins, Augustus F. - U.S. Congressman California Haydn, Franz Joseph F. - Composer and Musician Hedges, Cornelius - "Father" of Yellowstone National Park Metcalfe, Ralph H. - Olympic champion

Michelson, Albert Abraham - Successfully measured the speed of light in 1882

Miller, Glenn - Musician

Minton, Sherman - Supreme Court Justice

Mix, Tom - U.S. Marshal turned actor - Starred in over 400 western films Montgolfier, Jacques Etienne - Co-developer of the first practical hot-air balloon Montgolfier, Joseph Michel - Co-developer of the first practical hot-air balloon

Moody, William H. - Supreme Court Justice Mozart, Wolfgang Amadeus - Composer

Murphy, Audie - Most decorated American Soldier of WWII Nash, Charles -

Automobile industry

Nelson, Samuel - Supreme Court Justice

New, Harry S. - Postmaster General who established Airmail

Newton, Joseph Fort - Christian Minister

Nunn, Sam - U.S. Senator

Olds, Ransom E. - American automobile pioneer

Otis, James - Famous for "Taxation without Representation is Tyranny"

Papst, Charles F. - Coined the term "Athletes Foot" Paterson, William - Supreme Court Justice

Peary, Robert E. - First man to reach the North Pole (1909)

Penney, James C. - Retailer

Pershing, John Joseph - Decorated American Soldier

Pitney, Mahlon - Supreme Court Justice Pound, Roscoe - Former Dean, Harvard Law School Pushkin, Aleksander - Russian Poet

Rangel, Charles B. - U.S. Congressman New York Randolph, A. Phillip - Founder - first president, International Brotherhood Sleeping

Car Porters

Retief, Piet - Afrikaans leader and and one of the founders of the South African

Reed, Stanley F. - Supreme Court Justice Revere, Paul - Famous American Rhodes, Cecil - "Rhodes Scholarship"

Rickenbacker, Eddie - Great American Army Air Corps "Ace" Ringling Brothers - All 7 brothers and their father were Masons Robinson, Sugar Ray - American Boxer

Rogers, Will - Actor

Rush, Benjamin - 1 of 9 Masonic signers of the Declaration of Independance

Rutledge, Wiley B. - Supreme Court Chief Justice

Salten, Felix - Creator of Bambi

Sanders, Harland "Colonel" - Founder Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurants

Sarnoff, David - Father of T.V.

Sax, Antoine Joseph - Invented the Saxophone (1846) Schoonover, George - Founder of "The Builder"

Schirra, Wally - Astronaut Scott, Sir Walter - Writer Sellers, Peter - Actor

Sexson, W. Mark - Founder of Rainbow Girls, Masonic historian/author/researcher

Sibelius, Jean - Composer (Finland) Simpson, Alan - U.S. Senator

Smith, John Stafford - Wrote the music that became the U.S. National Anthem

Sousa, John Philip - Led the U.S. Marine Band from 1880 - 1892

Stanford, Leland - Railroads & Stanford University

Starr, Bart - Football legend

Stassen, Harold - Statesman, sole surviving signer of the United Nations Charter

Stewart, Potter - Supreme Court Justice

Still, Andrew T. - American Physician who devised osteopathy treatment

Stokes, Carl B. - Former mayor, Cleveland, OH Stokes, Louis - U.S. Congressman Ohio Stratton, Charles "Tom Thumb" - Entertainer Swayne, Noah H. - Supreme Court Justice Swift, Johathan - Author of "Gulliver's Travels"

Teets, John W. - Chairman and Presiden of Dial Corporation

Thomas, Danny - Actor and Entertainer Thomas, Dave - Founder of Wendys Restaurant

Thomas, Lowell - Reporter Who Brought 'Lawrence of Arabia' to Public Notice

Thurston, Howard - Vaudeville Magician

Tillis, Mel - Country Singer

Tirpitz, Alfred Von - German Naval officer responsible for submarine warfare

Todd, Thomas - Supreme Court Justice

Travis, Colonel William B. - Texas Patriot at the Battle of the Alamo

Trimble, Robert - Supreme Court Justice

Vinson, Frederick M. - Supreme Court Justice 1946-1953

Voltaire - French Writer and Philosopher

Wadlow, Robert Pershing - Tallest human on record, 9 feet tall Wallace, George C. - Presidential Candidate who was the target of an

assassination attempt

Wallace, Lewis - Wrote "Ben Hur" Warner, Jack - Founder of Warner Brothers Warren, Earl - Supreme Court Justice 1969-1986 Helms, Jesse - U.S. Senator Henson, Josiah - Inspired the novel "Uncle Tom's Cabin" Washington, Booker T - Educator and Author Henson, Matthew - Explorer Wayne, John - Actor Hilton, Charles C. - American Hotelier Webb, Matthew - First Man to Swim the English Channel (1875) Hoban, James - Architect for the U.S. White House Wilde, Oscar - Author Hoe, Richard M. - Invented the rotary press, revolutionizing newspaper printing Woodbury, Levi - Supreme Court Justice Woods, William B. - Supreme Court Justice
Wootton MD, Percy - President American Medical Association (1997-) Hollings, Ernest - U.S. Senator Hooks, Benjamin L. - Former Executive Director NAACP Hoover, Frank - Vacuum cleaner fame Wyler, William - Director of "Ben Hur" Zanuck, Darryl F. - Co-founder of 20th Century Productions in 1933 Ziegfeld, Florenz - His Ziegfeld's Follies began in 1907 Our Monthly Newsletter Officers Of The Lodge Our Past Masters Mason Widow Program Photo Gallery History of Daylight Lodge In Memoriam Our "Famous Mason" About Freemasonry The Structure of Masonry Famous Masons Kentucky Lodges Online Appendant Body Directory Our Award Gallery Recipients of our Award Masonic License Plates Grand Lodge Seals US Grand Lodge Directory American Pride Tribute September 11th Memorial Masonic Links of Interest U.S. Astronaut Memorial Masonic Webrings

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