



**George Walker Bush**  
**1946 -**  
**Inducted 2009**

Born in New Haven, Connecticut but raised in Midland and Houston, George W. Bush earned a history degree from Yale and an MBA from Harvard. He also served as a fighter pilot in the Texas Air National Guard. After graduate school, he moved to Midland, Texas to begin a career in the energy business as a landman. He would later form his own independent company, Arbusto Energy, which eventually merged with Spectrum Energy, Inc. In 1980, Bush shifted his focus to politics, working on his father's political campaign. In the presidential campaign of 1980, the senior Bush was selected as Ronald Reagan's running mate. In 1989 he became the 41<sup>st</sup> president of the United States. In 1994, the younger Bush was elected 46<sup>th</sup> governor of Texas and was re-elected to the office in 1998, serving during one of the state's greatest periods of growth. Two years into his second term, in 2000, George W. Bush ran for President, was elected 43<sup>rd</sup> president of the United States and was re-elected to the office in 2004.