



List of Notable Freemasons

This is a list of notable Freemasons. Freemasonry is a fraternal organisation which exists in a number of forms worldwide. Throughout history some members of the fraternity have made no secret of their involvement, while others have not made their membership public. In some cases, membership can only be proven by searching through the fraternity's records. Such records are most often kept at the individual Lodge level, and may be lost due to fire, flood, deterioration, or simple carelessness. Grand Lodge governance may have shifted or reorganized, resulting in further loss of records on the member or the name, number, location or even existence of the Lodge in question. In areas of the world where Masonry has been suppressed by governments, records of entire Grand Lodges have been destroyed. Because of this, masonic membership can sometimes be difficult to verify.

Standards of "proof" for those on this list may vary widely; some figures with no verified Lodge affiliation are claimed as Masons if anecdotal evidence suggests they were familiar with the "secret" signs and passes, but other figures are rejected over technical questions of irregularity in the Lodge that initiated them. Where available, specific Lodge membership information is provided; where serious questions of verification have been noted by other sources, this is indicated as well.

Aldrin, Edwin E - Astronaut

Amundsen, Roald - Norwegian explorer - first to South Pole

Armstrong, Louis - Musician

Arne, Thomas Augustine - Composed 'Rule Britannia'

Arnold, Benedict - American General and later traitor

Ataturk, Mustapha Kemal - Founder of modern Turkey

Astor, John Jacob - German-American merchant and financier

Austin, Stephen F - Father of Texas

Autry, Gene - Actor



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Bach, Johann - Composer
Basie, William "Count" - Composer
Bell, Lawrence - Bell Aircraft Corp.
Berlin, Irving - Entertainer
Blanc, Mel - voice of thousands of cartoon characters
Bolivar, Simon - Fought for South American independence from Spain
Boomer, Walter - Commander of Marine forces during Desert Storm
Borglum, Gutzon - Father and Son who carved Mt. Rushmore
Borglum, Lincoln - Father and Son who carved Mt. Rushmore
Borgnine, Ernest - US Actor
Boswell, James - Scottish writer, biographer of Dr Samuel Johnson
Bowie, James - Alamo
Bradley, Omar N - US Military leader
Bradman, Sir Donald - Australian Cricketer
Buchanan, James - President of the U.S.
Burke, Edmund - Irish-born British politician and writer
Burns, Robert - The National Poet of Scotland
Burton, Sir Richard - English Explorer
Byrd, Admiral Richard E - US Polar explorer
Byron, Lord William - British poet

Campbell, Sir Malcolm - Land speed record holder
Canning, George - British Prime Minister 1827
Cantor, Eddie - American entertainer
Carnegie, Andrew - Philanthropist and steel industry industrialist
Carson, Christopher "Kit" - Frontiersman
Casanova - Italian Adventurer, writer and entertainer
Chagal, Marc - Russian artist, domiciled in France
Chrysler, Walter P - Automotive fame
Churchill, Lord Randolph - British politician



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Churchill, Sir Winston - British Prime Minister & WWII leader
Citroen, Andre - French Engineer and motor car manufacturer
Clark, William - Explorer (Lewis and Clark Fame)
Cody, "Buffalo Bill" William
Cole, Nat 'King' - Great ballad singer
Collodi, Carlo - Writer of Pinocchio
Colt, Samuel - Firearms inventor
Conan Doyle, Sir Arthur - Writer
Cooper, Tommy - TV Comic & (supposedly) inept conjurer –
Crocket, David - Frontiersman and Alamo fame

Davidson, Jim - British Comedian
DeMille, Cecil B - US Film director
Dempsey, Jack - US Boxer, later ran New York restaurant
Desaguliers, John Theophilus - Inventor of the planetarium
Diefenbaker, John G. - Prime Minister of Canada 1957-63
Dole, Robert - US Senator, Vice Pres Candidate 1976, Pres. Candidate 1996
Doolittle, General James - US Air Force Pilot, led early WWII raids on Tokyo
Dow, William H - Dow Chemical Co.
Dunant, Jean Henri - Founder of the Red Cross

Edward VII - King 1901-10
Edward VIII - King 1936 (later Duke of Windsor)
Ellington, Duke - Composer, bandleader, pianist

Fairbanks, Douglas - Actor
Fields, W C - Actor
Fisher, Geoffrey - Archbishop of Canterbury 1945-61
Fleming, Sir Alexander - Invented Penicillin
Ford, Gerald R - President of the US
Ford, Henry - Pioneer automobile manufacturer



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Franklin, Benjamin - 1 of 13 Masonic signers of Constitution of the US
Frederick II ("the Great"), King of Prussia 1712-86

Gable, Clark - Actor

Garfield, James A - President of the U.S.

Garibaldi, Guiseppe - Italian patriot and hero

Gatling, Richard J - Built the Gatling Gun

George IV - King 1820-30

George VI - King 1936-52

Gershwin, George - American composer

Gibbon, Edward - Writer - Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire

Gilbert, Sir William S - half of Gilbert and Sullivan

Gillette, King C - Gillette Razor Co.

Glenn, John - First American to orbit the earth in a space craft

Goethe (von), Johan Wolfgang - German poet

Grissom, Virgil "Gus" - Astronaut

Guillotin, Joseph Ignace - Inventor of the Guillotine

Haig, Earl Douglas - British Field Marshal during World War I

Haley, Alex - Author of 'Roots'

Hancock, John - 1 of 9 Masons to sign the US Declaration of Independence.

Harding, Warren G - President of the U.S.

Hardy, Oliver - Actor, Comedian

Haydn, Franz Joseph - Austrian Composer

Herbert, Bishop Percy - Bishop of Norwich

Hilton, Charles C - American Hotelier

Hogarth, William - Artist

Hoover, J Edgar - Director of FBI

Hope, Bob - Comedian

Houdini, Harry - Magician & Illusionist

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



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Hussein, King of Jordan

Irving, Sir Henry - Actor

Irwin, James B. - American astronaut

Ives, Burl - Singer

Jackson, Andrew - President of the US

Jackson, Rev. Jesse - Minister

Jenner, Edward - Inventor - Vaccination

Johns, Hugh - UK sports Journalist & Commentator

Johnson, Andrew - President of the US

Johnson, Lyndon B - President of the US

Jolson, Al - Jazz Singer

Jones, John Paul - Scottish born "Father of the US Navy"

Khan, Aga - Statesman

Kipling, Rudyard - Writer

Kitchener, Lord - British Secretary of State for War (WWI)

Lewis, Meriwether - Explorer (Lewis and Clark Fame)

Lever, William Hesketh - British industrialist and philanthropist

Lindbergh, Charles - Aviator

Lipton, Sir Thomas - Grocery and tea magnate; philanthropist

Liszt (von), Franz - Hungarian composer and virtuoso pianist

Lloyd, Clive - West Indies Cricketer

Lloyd, Harold - Entertainer

Macadam, John - Scottish engineer. Developed the macadamising process

MacArthur, Gen. Douglas - Commander of US Armed Forces

MacDonald, Sir John A - Prime Minister of Canada 1867-73 & 1878-91

McKinley, William - President of the U.S.



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Marshall, Gen. George C - US soldier, diplomat, politician Nobel Peace Prize
Marx, Harpo - one of the Marx Brothers
Mayer, Louis B. - Film producer of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer (MGM) fame
Menninger, Karl A - Psychiatrist famous for treating mental illness
Mesmer, Franz Anton - practiced Mesmerism, a precursor to Hypnotism
Michelson, Albert Abraham - Successfully measured speed of light in 1882
Miller, Glenn - US Bandleader and composer
Mitchell, Edgar D - US Astronaut who flew on the Apollo 14 mission
Mix, Tom - U.S. Marshal turned actor. Stared in over 400 western films
Monroe, James - President of the U.S.
Montgolfier, Jacques Etienne - Co-developer of first practical hot-air balloon
Mozart, Wolfgang Amadeus - Composer
Murphy, Audie - Most decorated American Soldier of WWII.

Palmer, Arnold - Professional Golfer
Peary, Robert E - First man to reach the North Pole (1909)
Penny, James C - US Retailer (J C Penny)
Pershing, John Joseph - Decorated American Soldier
Poinsett, Joel R - US Minister to Mexico who developed the flower "
Poinsettia"
Polk, James Knox - President of the U.S.
Pope, Alexander - Writer
Price, Richard - Welsh mathematician, philosopher - invented actuarial tables
Pushkin, Aleksander - Russian Poet

Raffles, Sir Thomas Stanford - Founded Singapore & Zoological Society
Revere, Paul - Famous Revolutionary American
Rhodes, Cecil - Prime Minister of Cape Colony 1890
Rickenbacker, Eddie - Great American Air Force Ace
Ringling Brothers - All 7 circus brothers and their father were Masons
Robinson, Sugar Ray - American Boxer



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Rogers, Roy - American cowboy and screen star

Roosevelt, Franklin D - President of the US

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Sanders, Harland ("Colonel") - Founder of Kentucky Fried Chicken

Sarnoff, David - Father of US TV

Savalas, Telly - Actor who played 'Kojak'

Sax, Antoine Joseph - Invented the Saxophone (1846)

Scott, Capt. Robert Falcon - British Polar Explorer

Scott, Sir Walter - Writer

Sellers, Peter - Comic Actor

Shackleton, Sir Ernest - British Polar Explorer

Sibelius, Jean - Composer (Finland)

Sloane, Sir John - Artist

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

Smith, Joseph - Founder of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

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

Spilsbury, Sir Bernard - English Scientist

Stanford, Leland - Founded Stanford University

Still, Andrew T - American Physician who devised treatment of Osteopathy

Stratton, Charles "Tom Thumb" - Entertainer

Sullivan, Sir Arthur - Half of Gilbert & Sullivan

Swift, Johathan - Wrote Gulliver's Travels

Taft, William Howard - President of the U.S.

Thomas, Dave - Founder of Wendy's Restaurant

Thornhill, Sir James - English Artist

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

Travis, Colonel William B - Alamo

Trollope, Anthony - English novelist

Truman, Harry S - President of the U.S.



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Voltaire - French writer and philosopher

Wadlow, Robert Pershing - Tallest human on record being almost 9 feet tall

Wallace, Governor George C - Presidential Candidate - nearly assassinated

Warner, Jack - Warner Brothers Fame

Warren, Earl - US Supreme Court Justice

Washington, George - 1st President of US

Wayne, John - Actor

Webb, Capt. Matthew - First man to swim the English Channel (1875)

Wellington, Duke of - Soldier and statesman. Defeated Napoleon at Waterloo.

Wells, H G - Author

William IV - King (1830-37)

Wilde, Oscar - Anglo-Irish wit and dramatist

Wolfitt, Sir Donald - Actor

Wozniak, Steve. Co-founder of Apple Computers

Wyler, William - Director of "Ben Hur"

Young, Brigham - 2nd President of the Mormon Church

Zanuck, Darryl F - Co-founder of 20th Century Productions in 1933

Ziegfeld, Florenz - His Ziegfeld's Follies began in 1907