



FDR Jr, Eleanor Roosevelt, and FDR III, 1962

Name: Franklin Delano Roosevelt Jr.

Years: August 17, 1914 – August 17, 1988

Residence: Campobello Island, New Brunswick, Canada; New York City, New York; Poughkeepsie, New York

Brief Biography: Franklin Delano Roosevelt Jr. was born in the Roosevelt's summer home in New Brunswick, Canada. As a young-adult, he graduated from Harvard University in 1937 and Virginia Law School in 1940. He served in the United States navy from 1941 to 1946 and came out with a purple heart and a silver star. After the war, Roosevelt started his career in law and politics. He was appointed as vice-president of President Truman's Committee on Civil Rights in 1947 and 1948. He became New York State Representative in Congress till 1955 as well. He is considered to be the closest thing, from looks to voice, to the original FDR, yet he was disliked by the Democratic Party. After a few unsuccessful campaigns, Roosevelt Jr. retired from politics and went into business. He returned to politics in 1960 to campaign for John F. Kennedy's presidential campaign; he did a very good job at it too. He passed away from lung cancer in Poughkeepsie on August 17, 1988. He was 74 years old.

Major Accomplishments:

- New York State Representative in House of Representatives
- vice president of President Truman's Committee on Civil Rights

For More Information: For more information look for the memoir by his brother, *My Parents: A Differing View*.

Resources: Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Jr. at the Biographical Directory of the United States Congress

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