

Suggested list of Famous Chicagoans:

Actually born in Chicago

[John Kinzie](#), early Chicago settler

[Jean Baptiste Point du Sable](#), early Chicago settler

[Walt Disney](#), founder of [The Walt Disney Company](#) ([Hermosa](#))

[Hillary Rodham Clinton](#), first lady, US senator from N.Y., [Secretary of State](#)

[Richard M. Daley](#), mayor of [Chicago](#)

[Rahm Emanuel](#), current mayor of [Chicago](#), [White House Chief of Staff](#), US congressman

[Betty Ford](#), former [First Lady](#); wife of [Gerald Ford](#)

[Eliot Ness](#), federal agent; leader of [The Untouchables](#); born in Chicago

[Bart Conner](#), Olympic gymnastic gold medalist (1984)

[Dorothy Hamill](#), figure skater

[George Ellery Hale](#), astronomer

[Ernest Hemingway](#), writer

[Shel Silverstein](#), poet, songwriter, and children's writer

[Wesley Clark](#), NATO's Supreme Allied Commander, four-star general, presidential candidate (2004)

[Harold Washington](#), first and only black mayor of [Chicago](#)

[Richard J. Daley](#), former mayor of Chicago

Lived majority of life in Chicago or had strong influence on Chicago:

[Oprah Winfrey](#), talk show hostess, actress, entrepreneur, philanthropist

[Barack Obama](#), US senator and 44th President of the [United States](#)

[Ernie Banks](#), MLB Hall of Famer,

[Ron Santo](#), third baseman for the [Cubs](#), [WGN](#) broadcaster

[Harry Caray](#), TV and radio broadcaster

[Daniel Burnham](#), architect

[Frank Lloyd Wright](#), architect

[Jane Addams](#), social worker and activist; founder of [Hull House](#);

[Mike Ditka](#), coach and player for the [Bears](#), TV analyst

[George Pullman](#), entrepreneur, inventor

[Marshall Field](#), entrepreneur

[Charles Murphy](#), architect

[Anton Cermak](#), mayor of [Chicago](#)

[Enrico Fermi](#), co-development of the first nuclear reactor

[Carl Sandburg](#), poet