

Who am I?



I was born May 29, 1917 in Brookline, Massachusetts, USA of Irish descent. My father was a US ambassador to Britain. I graduated from Harvard in 1940 and joined the Navy. I was commander of PT 109, a torpedo boat which was rammed by a Japanese destroyer in 1943. In spite of my injuries I led the survivors to safety.

After the war I represented Boston in Congress. I entered the Senate in 1953, and married Jacqueline Lee Bouvier on 12 September. I was awarded a Pulitzer Prize for my book "Profiles In Courage".

In 1961 I was elected 35th President of the USA, after defeating Richard M. Nixon. I was the youngest President and the first Catholic to hold the post. I founded the 'Peace Corps' the same year.

In 1963, I went to Ireland and to Europe. My trip was very successful and many people remember it still. I was popular with people, especially the people of Berlin, where I said "I am a Berliner..."

While visiting Dallas, Texas, I was assassinated by a gunman on November 22nd, 1963. My family has also endured many misfortunes since then, unfortunately.

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