

James A. Garfield  
In office March 1881- September 1881

#### Name

- James Abram Garfield (1831-1881)

#### Terms in Office

- March 1881- September 1881

#### Election results

- Garfield was a shoe in. He was the favored candidate.

#### Four Ideas or Acts Passed During Term in office

- There were no acts passed while Garfield was in office. He was there for too short a time to have any passed.

#### Administration

- Chester A. Arthur was his Vice President
- James G. Blaine was Secretary of State

#### Two Problems Encountered

- The Monetary Scandal was a scandal that almost lost Garfield his position in office. He was accused of accepting money in return for supporting a congressional subsidy of the transcontinental railroad's construction company.
- He was assassinated by Charles Guiteau who claimed he had shot Garfield to put Chester A. Arthur in office. Garfield didn't die immediately. However, the doctors could not locate one of the bullets, which began infection and deteriorated his strength. He died September 19th 1881 in Alberon, New Jersey.

#### Two Trivia Facts

- James Abram Garfield (1831-1881) was an American Civil War general before becoming the twentieth president of the United States. He was assassinated after 6 months in office.
- In December 1863 Garfield was elected to the House

of Representatives in recognition of his military service and, until his death, was never again out of Federal office.

Unfortunatley for my great, great, great, great, great, great (you get the idea) grandfather, he had so much potential to do great things as a president but was never gievn the opportunity. So, if people could gain one thing from his passing, i hope that they see that you arent proised one more day and that you do as much with the time you do have as possible.