

George Mitchell

Born:

Aug 20, 1933,
Waterville, Maine

POLITICAL CAREER

■ **1980: Appointed to Senate, elected in 1982, serving as Senate majority leader from 1989-95**

■ **1995: Appointed by President *Bill Clinton* as special envoy to Northern Ireland – chairs all-party talks that leads to *Good Friday* peace accord that set scene for reconciliation between Catholics and Protestants**

■ **2000-01: Leads commission to find ways to halt Israeli-Palestinian violence – final report calls for end to Israeli settlement activity, and for Palestinians to prevent militant attacks and punish those responsible**

■ **2006-07: Investigates use of illegal steroids in baseball – final report destroys reputations of some of game's biggest players**

■ **Jan 2009: Appointed as special envoy to Middle East, working under President *Barack Obama***

