

Jon Huntsman

Moderate Republican and former ambassador to China who speaks fluent Mandarin



■ **Mar 26, 1960: Jon Meade Huntsman Jr.** born Redwood City, California

■ **Education:** University of Utah, degree in international politics from University of Pennsylvania

■ **Career:** CEO of Huntsman Corp. chemical company, 1993-2001

■ **Political career:** White House aide in Reagan administration. Appointed U.S. Ambassador to Singapore by President George H.W. Bush, 1992. Governor of Utah, 2005-2009. Appointed U.S. ambassador to China by President Obama, 2009-11

■ **Religion:** Mormon

■ **Family:** Marries **Mary Kaye Cooper** in 1983. Couple have seven children, including two adopted daughters from China and India