

Stan Lundine 1939-

Stanley Nelson Lundine was born in Jamestown, New York on February 4, 1939. Upon graduation from Jamestown High School, Mr. Lundine attended Duke University. After receiving his bachelor's degree from Duke, he attended the New York University School of Law. Graduating there in 1964, he was admitted to the New York State Bar in 1965.

Mr. Lundine took up private practice until 1970 in his hometown. In 1969 he entered politics, being elected Mayor of the City of Jamestown. He was one of the youngest people to ever be elected to a mayoral position in New York State. During his tenure as mayor he worked toward economic development and downtown revitalization. He was instrumental in lowering the unemployment rate of the City from 10% to 4% in a three year period. He held this post until 1976 when he won a special election to fill the vacated Congressional seat for the 39th District. He was thereafter elected to five consecutive terms as Congressman.

In Washington, Lundine was a staunch supporter of economic development initiatives. He was instrumental in authoring several pieces of legislation in support of Employee Stock Ownership Plans (ESOP). He was also the principal author of the West Valley Demonstration Act of 1980. He was Chairman of the International Development Subcommittee of the House Banking Committee, which had jurisdiction over the World Bank as well as all regional development banks.

After his stay in Washington, it was on to Albany. Mr. Lundine was elected Lieutenant Governor of New York State in 1987. He served this post through 1994. While Lieutenant Governor the New York Times said, "In the State Capitol, he has quietly built a reputation as a leader who knows how to build consensus on issues the cross partisan and ideological lines."

When his term as lieutenant governor expired, Mr. Lundine returned to the Jamestown area full time and once again entered private practice. He has become heavily involved in community service and sits on several local boards. These include the Chautauqua Integrated Delivery System, American Capital Strategies, SUNY Fredonia College Foundation, Robert H. Jackson Center, among others. Prior to his election to Congress, he also served on the Southern Tier West Board of Directors.

Mr. Lundine currently resides in Ashville and continues to work toward sustained development of Jamestown and the surrounding area.