Hosni Mubarak President of Egypt

Born in the Menoufeya governorate, on May 4, 1928, Hosni Mubarak was educated at the Egyptian military and air academies. He rose through the ranks of the armed forces to become commander of the air force and deputy minister for Military Affairs in 1972.

Mr. Mubarak was named Vice-President in 1975 and became President of Egypt in 1981, following the assassination of President Anwar Sadat. He has been president of the National Democratic Party since 1982.

Mr. Mubarak is married and has two children.