



## County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors



### SUPERVISOR GORDON L. MCDONOUGH

Term: 1934 - 1945  
District: Second  
Date of Birth: Jan. 2, 1895  
Death: June 25, 1968

Gordon L. McDonough served as county supervisor for three terms. He assumed office on Jan. 7, 1934, and was re-elected in 1937 and 1941. McDonough ran for Congress in 1944 and won. He resigned from the Board of Supervisors in late 1944 and was replaced by Leonard J. Roach on Jan. 9, 1945.

McDonough was born in Buffalo, N.Y., on Jan. 2, 1895. When he was 3, his family moved to Emporium, Pa., where he grew up and attended public schools.

In 1915, after graduating from high school, McDonough got a job as an industrial chemist in his hometown. In 1918 he moved to Los Angeles and obtained a job in the same field.

At the same time, McDonough was a staunch Republican and he became prominent in the political arena. This involvement led to his being elected to the Board of Supervisors in 1933. His election to Congress followed in 1944, and he was re-elected eight times. He was defeated in his 1962 re-election bid.

On June 25, 1968, McDonough died. He was 73, and was survived by his wife, Catherine, five sons, two daughters and 31 grandchildren.

Source: Biographical Directory of the U.S. Congress, Los Angeles Times, June 26, 1968.