

Tina Smith

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[United States Senator](#)
from [Minnesota](#)

[Incumbent](#)

Assumed office

January 3, 2018

Serving with [Amy Klobuchar](#)

Appointed by [Mark Dayton](#)

Preceded by [Al Franken](#)

[48th Lieutenant Governor of Minnesota](#)

In office

January 5, 2015 – January 2, 2018

Governor [Mark Dayton](#)

Preceded by [Yvonne Prettner Solon](#)

Succeeded by [Michelle Fischbach](#)

Personal details

Born [Tina Flint](#)
March 4, 1958 (age 66)
[Albuquerque, New Mexico, U.S.](#)

Political party [Democratic-Farmer-Labor](#)

Spouse(s) [Archie Smith](#)

Children [2](#)

Education [Stanford University](#) (BA)
[Dartmouth College](#) (MBA)

Tina Flint Smith^[1] (born March 4, 1958) is an American politician. She is the [United States Senator](#) from [Minnesota](#) upon being appointed by [Governor Mark Dayton](#) and office on January 3, 2018.

Smith was the [48th Lieutenant Governor of Minnesota](#) from 2015 to 2018. She has been a high-profile member of [Governor Mark Dayton's](#) administration and a key participant in legislative negotiations.^[2] She is a former [Chief of Staff](#) to Dayton. She is a member of the [Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party](#).

Dayton appointed her to replace U.S. Senator [Al Franken](#) upon his resignation, to serve until a special election is held in November 2018.^[3]

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