

## Bob Lewandowski-Biography

Robert (Bob Lewandowski) arrived in New York in 1951. While there he was freelancing in Voice of America and Radio Free Europe.

The following year Bob was working on the Polish American Radio Varieties Program emanating from WJLB in Detroit.

From his arrival in Chicago in 1953 he worked as a radio personality and producer of Polish language radio over the Chicago radio stations-WHGC, WTAQ, and WSBC.

In addition, he was active as a director and an actor for the Polish Language Theater "Nasza Reduta."

In June 1957 Bob joined ABC Television Network (WBKB TV & WLS TV) in Chicago and for the next 10 years he was singing-MC of the ABC TV Network program "Polka Go Round," Producer and master of ceremonies of Press International (weekly presentation) and many specials.

In addition, since 1967 Bob was a producer and personality of the first Polish language television show outside of Poland broadcast weekly over WCIU TV channel 26 and channel 23 in Chicago.

In addition to his professional activities, Bob should be accredited with many social activities. With the cooperation of the Polish American Congress in Chicago, he succeeded in raising funds through his radio and TV presentations money for the following causes:

For the Mikolaj Kopernik Monument in Chicago

"medicine in Poland" a program established by the Polish American Congress and Solidarity

For Polish Sailors who were seeking asylum in Panama City during Marshal Law in Poland

For John Paul II Foundation in Rome

For the benefit of Polish Orphanages in Poland

For the education of Polish children returning from the USSR

And many other causes.

Bob Lewandowski was nominated by the President of The Polish American Congress as National Director at Large in 1990. Mr. Lewandowski passed away in 2006.