



# Yuri Gagarin

(9 March 1934–27 March 1968)

All my life it seems to me now a perfect moment. All that lived that done before, had lived and done for this moment ... "



**Yuri Gagarin was born in the village of Klushino on 9 March 1934. His parents worked on a collective farm: Alexey Ivanovich Gagarin as a carpenter and bricklayer, and Anna Timofeyevna Gagarina as a milkmaid. Yuri was the third of four children.**



Yuri Gagarin was a Soviet pilot and cosmonaut. He was the first human to journey into outer space, when his «Vostok» spacecraft completed an orbit of the Earth on 12 April 1961.

**Gagarin became an international celebrity, and was awarded many medals and titles, including Hero of the Soviet Union, the nation's highest honour.**



