

Yuri Gagarin - first human to journey into outer space



"Vostok" spacecraft
completed an orbit of
the Earth on
12 April 1961





Honorary titles:

Hero of the Soviet Union (April 14, 1961), Pilot-Cosmonaut of the USSR (April 14, 1961), Honorary Radio Operator (1962). Honored Master of Sports of the USSR (running, 1961).

Biography: Yuri Gagarin, cosmonaut

Born: 9 March 1934

Birthplace: Klushino,

Russia

Died: 27 March 1968 (airplane crash)

Best Known As: The first human in space





Honorary citizen of cities:

• Yuri Gagarin is an honorary citizen of many Russian cities and a number of foreign ones.

 Kaluga (1961), Lyubertsy (posthumously, 1987), Novocherkassk, Sumgait, Smolensk, Vinnytsia, Novozybkovo and Novozybkovsky district of the Bryansk region (1966), Sevastopol, Saratov (1967), Leninsk (now Baikonur, posthumously, 1977) — all USSR, as well as Sofia, Pernik (1966), Burgas (1966)- all UXO, Athens (Greece), Famagusta. Limassol (Cyprus), Saint-Denis, Puteaux (1963, France), Trencianska Teplice, Martin (1961, Czechoslovakia).

• Yuri Gagarin received for eternal storage the golden keys to the gates of the cities of Cairo and Alexandria (1962, Egypt).

Yuri Gagarin: life after the space

· In 1966, Gagarin was elected an Honorary member of the International Academy of Astronautics, in June of the same year Gagarin started training on the program "Soyuz". He was assigned as backup Komarov, which made its first flight on the new ship. Flight from-for malfunctions of solar panels was interrupted prematurely,



Death and legacy





On 27 March 1968, while on a routine training flight, he and flight instructor Vladimir Seryogin died in a MiG-15UTI crash near the town of Kirzhach. Gagarin and Seryogin were buried in the walls of the Kremlin on Red Square.