



WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE BORN

William Shakespeare was baptised on 26 April 1564 in Stratford-upon-Avon, England. Even though he was born over 400 years ago, Shakespeare's plays are still performed and studied in schools and theatres around the globe today. As well as plays, he also wrote poetry and acted. Shakespeare died in 1616, aged 52. In 1623, *The First Folio* was published, a collected edition of most of the 37 plays attributed to him, including *Romeo and Juliet*, and *Hamlet*.