Historical events that took place on my birthday, April 4th, or around.

Source: https://www.was-war-wann.de/ Followed by celebrities, who also have their birthday on April 4th. The days of the week come from the program

https://stevemorse.org/jcal/perpetual.html

# 1958 year of birth

**April 4th Friday** 

Today was my birthday.

**April 11th Friday** 

UNESCO 1958 - Ghana was admitted as a new UNESCO member.

# 1959 1 year old

**April 13th Sunday** 

FRG 1959 - Friedrich Nowack, a German politician, died in Hamburg.

# 1960 2 years old

#### **April 4th Monday**

Federal Republic In Stuttgart (Baden-Wurttemberg), the German Society for Anesthesia had warned of the consequences of the lack of anesthetists. In the Federal Republic an anesthetist came to one million inhabitants. Thus, Germany took the last place in Europe in this medical field.

## **April 4th Monday**

Federal Republic of Germany - According to a statement of the Federal Post Ministry, the daily production of stamps was about 18 million. Around 12 million postage stamps were sold daily. **April** 

### **April 4th Monday**

Film / International 1960 - The 32nd Annual Academy Awards (Oscar) took place in Los Angeles (California). As the best documentary film, the German production "Serengeti must not die" was awarded by Bernhard Grzimek.

# 1961 3 years old

## April 4th Tuesday

Spain / Morocco 1961 - According to reports from El Aaiun (Morocco), there was a firefight between Spanish border guards and Moroccan partisans in the Spanish Sahara.

## April 4th Tuesday

BRD 1961 - Tango and Viennese Waltz were currently the most popular dances among young people in the Federal Republic. In a survey conducted by the Institute for Demoscopy in Allensbach on Lake Constance, 32 percent of respondents described tango as their favorite dance. The Viennese waltz was declared a favorite dance by 30 percent. For the cha-cha-cha, rock'n'roll and other modern dances, 34 percent of teenagers had decided. At least once a year, about 75 percent of young people went dancing. Girls followed this pleasure more often than boys. 15 percent of young men and only 6 percent of girls could not dance at all. 1961

# 1962 4 years old

## April 4th Wednesday

USA / UK 1962 - The Christmas island area of the Pacific Islands had been blocked by the United States and the United Kingdom for atmospheric nuclear experiments.

### April 4th Wednesday

USA / Brazil 1962 - Brazilian President João Belchior Marques Goulart has achieved the release of development bonds on his official visit to the United States. These had been blocked by John F. Kennedy since the resignation of former President Jãnio da Silva Quadros.

## April 4th Wednesday

Italy / France 1962 - Italian Prime Minister Amintore Fanfani and French President Charles de Gaulle met in Turin (Italy). The two politicians held talks about the future cooperation of European countries.

## April 4th Wednesday

GDR 1962 - In the capital East Berlin and in the outskirts of the GDR it came to the outbreak of a Ruhr epidemic.

## April 4th Wednesday

Football 1962 - In London Wembley Stadium, the English national football team against the Austrian team won convincingly with 3: 1 goals.

# April 4th Wednesday

South Arabian Federation 1962 - The Southern Arabian Federation was formed from 15 protectorate states. This became the Democratic People's Republic of Yemen in November 1967.

# 1963 5 years old

## April 4th Thursday

FRG 1963 - The first episode of the TV crime series "The Crime Museum" went on the newly created ZDF on the screens. The feature-length, independent sequences were shown in the evening program.

## April 4th Thursday

West Berlin / GDR 1963 - On objective questions of the postal service a agreement had been reached between the Landespostdirektion West Berlin and the District Post Office East Berlin. However, the western side had rejected the formal conclusion demanded by the GDR.

#### 4. April Thursday

USA 1963 - US President John F. Kennedy had made use of his statutory interference and obtained a 60-day reprieve for the planned strike of 200,000 railway workers.

## April 4th Thursday

Switzerland 1963 - Switzerland was the first European state to issue a rheumatism law for the prevention and control of the disease, which included education.

# 1964 6 years old

# April 4th Saturday

Boxing 1964 - In Dortmund's Westfalenhalle Gustav "Bubi" Scholz (1930-2000) was disqualified by his opponent Giulio Rinaldi (1935-2011) new European champion in the light heavyweight division.

## **April 4th Saturday**

Athletics / World Record 1964 - In Tempe (US state of Arizona) the American athlete Henry Carr (\* 1942) recorded a world record of 20.2 seconds over 200 meters.

#### April 4th Saturday

Literature 1964 - The USSR announced the confiscation of a book published by the Ukrainian Academy of Sciences in 1963, which made anti-Semitic allegations. In the West there had been violent protests against the work.

# 1965 7 years old

#### April 4th Sunday

Vietnam War 1965 - Since the beginning of the clashes, attacks by 150 South Vietnamese and US military aircraft on targets in North Vietnam have become the first aerial combat.

## April 4th Sunday

USA 1965 - The first space reactor launched by the United States reached orbit and was activated by radio.

# 1966 8 years old

# April 4th Monday

West Berlin 1966 - The Association of German Catholic Youth in the Diocese of Berlin had warned in the light of the recent electoral successes of the NPD from the growth of right-wing extremism in the Federal Republic.

# April 4th Monday

USA 1966 - Parts of the US state of Florida had been devastated by a gale-force storm. In Tampa, the second largest city in the state, seven people had been rescued from house debris. Another at least a hundred people had been seriously injured.

# April 4th Monday

FRG / West Berlin 1966 - A "livestock airlift" was established between West Germany and West Berlin. By plane, pigs and cows were transported to Berlin-Tegel. In this way 350 dairy cows and 3,800 pigs were to be brought to West Berlin. The reason for the airlift was the GDR's strict prohibition to allow the transit of live animals for fear of the introduction of foot-and-mouth disease.

#### 1967 9 years old

# April 4th Tuesday

FRG 1967 - In a letter to Secretary of State Willy Brandt, the Apostolic Nuncio Corrado Bafile had declared his concern over the regulation of the school question in North Rhine-Westphalia, Baden-Württemberg and Rhineland-Palatinate. This regulation would violate the Reich Concordat of 1933.

### April 4th Tuesday

Netherlands 1967 - The Catholic Piet de Jong had succeeded after a nearly seven-week government crisis in the country, the new formation of a Cabinet.

# April 4th Tuesday

FRG 1967 - For the first time nuclear waste had been stored under considerable security precautions in the FRG. In the former salt mine Asse near Wolfenbüttel (Lower Saxony), 80 special drums of 100 I to 200 I capacity were stored at a depth of 750 m from the Karlsruhe Nuclear Research Center (Baden-Württemberg).

## April 4th Tuesday

FRG 1967 - In the Federal Republic were, according to a police crime statistics, in the previous year 1,917,445 crimes and offenses committed against the criminal laws. 53 percent of them were informed.

# 1968 10 years old

# April 4th Thursday

USA 1968 - In Memphis, Tennessee, civil rights activist Martin Luther King was killed in an assassination attempt by a white man.

#### **April 4th Thursday**

USA 1968 - US President Lyndon B. Johnson had agreed with North Vietnam to agree to a meeting between negotiators from both countries. Since North Vietnam was only prepared for bilateral talks with the United States, a crisis in relations between the United States and South Vietnam had emerged.

## April 4th Thursday

Space 1968 - In order to test the configuration for a manned flight to the moon, "Apollo 6" was the last time an unmanned Saturn rocket was launched in the US state of Florida.

# 1969 11 years old

# April 4th Friday

USA 1969 - In the United States, the discount rate has been increased from 5.5 percent to 6 percent. At the same time, an increase in minimum reserves of 0.5% on average had been decided. The US central bank had established the step with the increasingly inflationary development in the USA.

## April 4th Friday

USA 1969 - As the first person in the world, the American Haskell Karp had temporarily been implanted an artificial heart.

# 1970 12 years old

# April 4th Saturday

Switzerland / International 1970 - The Summit Conference of World Religions, which met in Geneva, Switzerland, ended with the establishment of an eight-member Executive Council of Christians, Buddhists, Hindus, Jews and Muslims to step up global interfaith dialogue.

## April 4th Saturday

Austria 1970 - The film "Gods of the Plague" was premiered by Rainer Werner Faßbinder in the capital Vienna.

# 1971 13 years old

## April 4th Sunday

Great Britain / FRG / West Berlin 1971 - British Prime Minister Edward Heath arrived in West Berlin for a four-day visit to the Federal Republic.

# April 4th Sunday

Soviet Union 1971 - In a letter to the Interior Ministry in Moscow, the Soviet physicist Andrei D. Sakharov protested against the introduction of regime critics in psychiatric hospitals.

## April 4th Sunday

France 1971 - The legal minimum wage for auxiliary and colored guest workers had been increased. He had increased by 1.4 percent to 2.48 DM per hour worked.

# April 4th Sunday

FRG 1971 - In response to the allegation of the mayor of Munich Hans-Jochen Vogel (SPD) that the Bavarian SPD would radicalize by the influence of the Young Socialists (Jusos), the National Conference of the Bavarian Jusos had called for a "demarcation to the right".

## April 4th Sunday

Automobile racing 1971 - On Porsche, the Italian De Adamich and his French co-driver Henri Pescorolo had won the endurance race over 1000 km in Brands Hatch (England).

# 1972 14 years old

## April 6th Thursday

Former German President Heinrich Lübke dies in Bonn.

# 1973 15 years old

# April 4th Wednesday

The World Trade Center was opened in New York (USA).

# 1974 16 years old

## April 4th Thursday

The permanent representatives of the NATO member states in Brussels celebrated with a ceremony the 25th anniversary of the defensive alliance.

## April 4th Thursday

In the Federal Republic a monopoly commission for the examination of company concentrations was created.

#### April 4th Thursday

\$ 434,000 in additional payments (DM 1.12 million) was demanded by the US tax authorities from President Richard M. Nixon (1913-1994). The president had to borrow to repay debt, even though thousands of Americans wanted to help him with donations.

## April 4th Thursday

The journalist organizations of the Federal Republic of Germany expressed concern about the increasing press concentration in the country. The reason for this was the capital interconnectedness of the "Stuttgarter Nahrichten" and the "Stuttgarter Zeitung".

# 1975 17 years old

# April 4th Friday

Vietnam 1975 - In Saigon crashed shortly after the launch of a Lockheed C-5A Galaxy of the United States Air Force Children's Air Bridge Saigon-USA. There were 328 people on board, mostly Vietnamese children. A total of 178 people were killed in the crash. The South Vietnamese orphans were to be adopted in the United States.

## April 4th Friday

Computer 1975 - The company Microsoft was founded by Bill Gates and Paul Allen.

# 1976 18 years old

## April 4th Sunday

BRD / Baden-Württemberg 1976 - The ruling CDU of the Prime Minister Hans Filbinger had been able to expand its absolute majority in the state elections in Baden-Württemberg.

# April 4th Sunday

Cambodia 1976 - The Cambodian President Prince Norodom Sihanouk has been relieved of his post. Now Khieu Samphan was chairman of the State Council. Pol Pot had been appointed prime minister.

## April 4th Sunday

hailand 1976 - The Liberal Democratic Party emerged victorious from the parliamentary elections in Thailand. The left parties had suffered considerable losses of votes.

#### April 4th Sunday

USA 1976 - In a report by the US news magazine "Time", it had been suggested that Israel had been in possession of nuclear weapons for years

# April 4th Sunday

Bahrain 1976 - The Government of Bahrain had terminated the base agreement with the US. From then on, US warships were no longer allowed to dock in the ports of the Arab state. The reason for the measure was the aggravation of the situation in the Middle East.

# 1977 19 years old

## April 4th Monday

Cuba / Zaire 1977 - The government of Zaire (since 1997: Democratic Republic of the Congo) had broken off diplomatic relations with Cuba. This step was justified by the fact that on the side of the rebels in the province Shaba (Katanga, Zaire) also Cuban soldiers would fight.

#### April 4th Monday

Great Britain 1977 - The British government had enacted a law on state price control. Among other things, the law provided for the freezing of prices for certain goods for a period of up to twelve months. At the same time, it had limited control over the profit distribution of business enterprises. By contrast, British industrialists had raised heavy protest. The aim of these measures was to curb inflation.

## April 4th Monday

Indien 1977 – Die neue Regierung unter Ministerpräsident Morarji Ranchhodji Desai hatte als eine ihrer ersten Maßnahmen einen Gesetzentwurf vorgelegt, durch den die von der früheren Ministerpräsidentin Indira Gandhi stark eingeschränkte Pressefreiheit wiederhergestellt wurde.

## April 4th Monday

Soviet Union 1977 - The Russian Germanist and writer Lev Kopelev had been expelled from the Soviet Union of Writers. In the past, Kopelev had repeatedly critically examined the political situation in the Soviet Union, highlighting in particular the violation of human rights.

# 1978 20 years old

## April 4th Tuesday

Europe 1978 - The Council of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the European Community failed to reach an agreement on a common position on the question of the control of uranium deliveries demanded by the USA at its meeting in Brussels (Belgium).

# April 4th Tuesday

China / FRG 1978 - The Chinese Foreign Trade Minister Li Chiang had arrived for a working visit to the Federal Republic. In talks with Federal Chancellor Helmut Schmidt and Minister of Economic Affairs Otto Graf Lambsdorff, Li Chiang had emphasized the People's Republic's interest in working closely with German companies to modernize the Chinese economy.

## April 4th Tuesday

Soviet Union 1978 - The government had the extension of its fishing zone in the Baltic Sea to 200 nautical miles.

## April 4th Tuesday

Football 1978 - The football selection of the GDR had lost the Swedish selection in Leipzig with 0: 1. A friendly match between Switzerland and Austria ended in Basel with a 1-0 defeat by the hosts.

# 1979 21 years old

# April 4th Wednesday

Sea transport 1979 - A maritime transport contract is concluded between Germany and Brazil.

## April 4th Wednesday

Pakistan 1979 - Rawalpindi Zulfikar Ali-Khan Bhutto, the former Prime Minister of Pakistan, is executed

# 1980 22 years old

## April 4th Friday

n El Salvador, the Democratic Revolutionary Front (FDR) was founded to overthrow the military and civilian-backed government. The new party is made up of social democratic and socialist parties, Christian Democrats, sections of employers' associations, trade unions and several professional groups.

## April 4th Friday

n Havana, Cuba, more than 10,000 Cuban asylum seekers fled to the Peruvian embassy after the sentries in front of the building had been withdrawn.

## April 4th Friday

Twelve Sinti started a hunger strike on the grounds of the former Dachau concentration camp. They should point to the discrimination of their ethnic group.

## 1981 23 years old

## **April 4th Saturday**

Israel 1981 - Moshe Dajan founded the new "National Renewal Movement" in Israel.

## **April 4th Saturday**

Music 1981 - In Dublin (Ireland) the German singer Lena Valaitis won the second place at the Grand Prix Eurovision with the song "Johnny Blue".

# 1982 24 years old

# April 2th Friday

Falkland Islands 1982 - After the Argentine military had occupied the island group in the South Atlantic Falkland Islands, the Falklands War broke out

## 1983 **25 years old**

# April 4th Monday

For its maiden flight in the context of the mission STS -6 NASA launched the space shuttle "Challenger". The space shuttle was completed in October 1982

# 1984 26 years old

#### April 4th Wednesday

Capital of the GDR 1984 - In Berlin (East), an exhibition with works by the English sculptor Henry Moore (1898-1986) was opened, which lasted until 3 June. The works of the famous artist could be seen for the first time in the GDR.

# 1985 27 years old

#### **April 4th Thursday**

BRD 1985 - After a blast in a shed in Hamburg Freeport, the biggest fire since 1948 had come. Among other things, 300 barrels of potassium chlorate were stored in the shed. No people were injured in the fire. The property damage was estimated at more than 10 million DM.

# 1986 28 years old

# April 4th Friday

European Community 1986 - Following the Southern enlargement of the European Community (EC), the US threatened the Community with alleged obstacles to importing into European countries with import restrictions.

## April 4th Friday

GDR 1986 - Bishop Gottfried Forck had deplored the "deep resignation" in church and society of the GDR before the meeting in East Berlin Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Berlin-Brandenburg.

# April 4th Friday

GDR 1986 - The large bronze sculpture "Marx and Engels" was set up at the Marx-Engels-Forum in East Berlin. She had created Ludwig Engelhardt.

# 1987 29 years old

# April 4th Saturday

FRG 1987 - In Bremen, the distress rescue cruiser "Theodor Heuss" began its last journey. Up the Rhine, along the Main, the ship was then transported further over land to Munich. There it received its last place in the German Museum of Technology.

## April 4th Saturday

GDR 1987 - On the occasion of the 60th birthday of the painter, graphic artist and sculptor Wolfgang Mattheuer an exhibition with his graphics was opened in the Leipzig Art Museum. Mattheuer (1927-2004) is considered one of the most popular GDR artists.

# 1988 30 years old

## April 10th Sunday

More than 1,000 people were killed in the explosion of the Pakistani ammunition depot Camp Ojhri.

## April 10th Sunday

After a ten-year construction period, the bridge connection Seto-Ōhashi was opened in Japan, which serves a smoother flow of traffic between the islands of Honshu and the island of Shikoku.

# 1989 31 years old

## April 4th Tuesday

The entrepreneur Dietrich Fürstenberg was prohibited by the district of Osnabrück (Lower Saxony) the commercial mediation of children for adoption. Because organ trafficking was already under investigation against Fürstenberg.

#### April 4th Tuesday

n Munich, the journalist Hans Heigert (1925-2007) was elected President of the Goethe-Institut. He succeeded Klaus von Bismarck (1912-1997). Heigert was among others at Bayerischer Rundfunk and worked at the "Süddeutsche Zeitung".

### April 4th Tuesday

The second session of the Seventh National People's Congress ended after more than two weeks in the Chinese capital, Beijing. The discussion about the poor economic situation in the country had been the focus of the meeting.

# April 4th Tuesday

n Brussels (Belgium), a ceremony was held at NATO Headquarters to mark the 40th anniversary of the establishment of the Western Military Pact. The North Atlantic Treaty Organization had been founded on April 4, 1949 in Washington by ten Western European states, the United States and Canada. In a speech addressed NATO Secretary General Manfred Wörner () declared that he considers the policy of the Soviet Union under Mikhail Gorbachev (\* 1931) for a peaceful policy.

## 1990 32 years old

# April 4th Wednesday

BRD / Justice 1990 - Investigations against two companies, which were accused of participation in the construction of the Libyan chemical plant in Rabta, had been confirmed by the Stuttgart prosecutor.

## April 4th Wednesday

El Salvador 1990 - A peace agreement was signed in Geneva (Switzerland) between the government of El Salvador and the FLMN Liberation Front. The contract was concluded by UN Secretary-General Javier Pérez de Cuéllar. This was to put an end to the eight-year civil war.

#### April 4th Wednesday

China 1990 - The suppression of an uprising in the autonomous Chinese region of Xinjiang, near the Soviet border, had become known. According to reports by foreigners, riots in other areas of the region, such as In Kashgar, probably 80 human lives are required. On April 22, the Chinese authorities confirmed an "armed rebellion in the Kizilsu district, which killed 22 people earlier this month."

# 1991 33 years old

#### April 4th Thursday

Literature 1991 - The writer Max Frisch died in Zurich (Switzerland).

# 1992 34 years old

## April 4th Saturday

FRG 1992 - In Hamburg, the Pröpstin Maria Jespen was elected by the clear majority of the North Elbian Land Synod to the first Evangelical Lutheran bishop in the world.

#### April 4th Saturday

FRG 1992 - With retroactive effect from 1 February, employers and the unions trade, banks and insurance (HBV) had agreed on income improvements of 5.4 per cent for the approximately 450,000 bank employees in Germany.

# 1993 35 years old

## April 6th Tuesday

As a new member, Tajikistan has been included in UNESCO.

# 1994 36 years old

## April 4th Monday

n baby foods from Spain, food manufacturers have discovered excessive levels of the pesticide lindane.

# 1995 37 years old

## April 4th Tuesday

ran 1995 - In the Iranian city of Islamchahr protests against the high cost of living had led to clashes between protesters and security forces. Between ten and 50 people were killed.

# 1996 38 years old

## April 4th Thursday

Ice Hockey 1996 - The Duesseldorfer EG had become by a 4-2 in the fourth play-off game against the Cologne Haie German ice hockey champion.

# 1997 39 years old

#### April 4th Friday

Europe 1997 - In the Northern Spanish city of Oviedo, 21 of the 40 member states of the Council of Europe had signed the controversial Council of Europe Convention on Biomedicine. Germany was a non-signatory because it did not contain a clear ban on human embryo research.

## April 4th Friday

Great Britain / International 1997 - The British magazine "OK!" Published the first pictures of the offspring of Michael Jackson, Prince Michael Jr.

# 1998 40 years old

# April 4th Saturday

Iran 1998 - A landslide in southwest Iran caused by heavy rains cost about 120 lives.

# 1999 41 years old

#### April 9th Friday

Republic of Niger 1999 - In the Republic of Niger, President Ibrahim Baré was assassinated.

# **2000 42 years old**

# April 4th Tuesday

Greece / FRG 2000 - Federal President Johannes Rau visited the village of Kalavrita together with Greek President Konstantinos Stephanopoulos during a state visit to Greece. There were by German occupation soldiers in a retaliatory action for partisan attacks on December 13, 1943, the entire male population of the place, up to 1,300 people were killed. Rau said he had come to keep memories of Germany alive.

## April 4th Tuesday

Germany 2000 - As candidate for her successor as secretary-general, the designated CDU leader Angela Merkel had proposed to the North Rhine-Westphalian member of parliament Ruprecht Polenz. The 53-year-old lawyer belonged to the liberal wing of the CDU.

## April 4th Tuesday

FRG 2000 - The right-wing radicals in Germany were according to findings of the constitution protection always more violent, had declared Federal Interior Minister Otto Schily at the presentation of the constitution protection report for 1999. With 746 recorded acts of violence by right-wing extremists in 1999, these had increased by 5.4 percent compared to the previous year.

# April 4th Tuesday

EU-Africa Summit 2000 - At the first EU-Africa Summit (Cairo / Egypt), the 60 or so heads of state and government concluded a plan of action to jointly tackle poverty and the debt crisis in Europe and Africa wanted to absorb African countries. At the same time, the promotion of democracy, human rights and the rule of law had been decided. The two-day conference had been largely determined by debt forgiveness.

# April 4th Tuesday

Japan 2000 - By a closed resignation, the Japanese Cabinet had cleared the way for the election of a successor to the critically ill head of government Keizo Obuchi. Obuchi had suffered a stroke on 2 April, was still in a coma and had to be artificially ventilated.

# 2001 43 years old

# April 4th Wednesday

epublic of Moldova 2001 - President of the Republic of Moldova became Vladimir Voronin.

## April 4th Wednesday

New Zealand 2001 - Governor-General and thus Head of State of New Zealand became Silvia Cartwright.

# 2002 44 years old

#### April 4th Thursday

Angola 2002 - In Angola, the ceasefire agreement was signed between the military UNITA and government forces.

# 2003 45 years old

## April 4th Friday

In Ituri, Democratic Republic of the Congo, several hundred people died in a massacre.

## April 4th Friday

raqi television showed footage of Saddam Hussein visiting an air-raided Baghdad neighborhood and calling on the city's residents to resist. According to information from the US military, the "Saddam International Airport" has been occupied by about 1,500 US soldiers. The airport, which is located approximately 20 kilometers southwest of the city center, is considered strategically important to ensure the supply of troops. To date, the supply had to be brought more than 400 kilometers by land.

# April 4th Friday

A first convoy of the International Committee of the Red Cross launched from Kuwait to the besieged city of Basra.

#### April 4th Friday

UNICEF sent five lorries of medicine and 37,000 liters of drinking water to the embattled Iraqi cities of Safwan, El Subair and Abu el Chassib.

## April 4th Friday

In Najaf, angry Shiites prevented US soldiers from reaching the Imam Ali Mosque, which is a particularly sacred place for them.

## April 4th Friday

The pop music station "Megaradio", which was to be received Germany-wide, stopped its transmission enterprise because of insolvency.

## April 4th Friday

In Berlin, the construction of the Holocaust Memorial was begun in the immediate vicinity of the Brandenburg Gate.

#### April 4th Friday

n 17 April, the German Federal Government imposed conditions for the overflights to Zurich Airport Kloten, after the ratification of an already negotiated State Treaty between the Federal Republic of Germany and Switzerland had failed.

#### April 4th Friday

The stock market index of the South Korean capital Seoul slumped by 1.5 percent, as the semi-state TV station, the hoax had been spread, the Microsoft founder Bill Gates had been killed in an attack. This rumor is said to have been circulated via a compromised website.

#### April 4th Friday

n Haiti, Voodoo was officially recognized as a religion. The priesthood now had the same rights as the clergy of the Roman Catholic Church in baptisms, weddings and funerals.

# 2004 46 years old

## April 5th Monday

FRG / Afghanistan 2004 - The Mine detection dogs center in Afghanistan was supported with 1.9 million euros by the Federal Foreign Office.

# 2005 47 years old

# April 4th Monday

Austria 2005 - The small Austrian government party FPÖ had split into FPÖ and BZÖ.

# 2006 48 years old

# April 4th Tuesday

Bavaria 2006 - Bavaria was the first federal state to introduce compulsory German language courses for foreign children. Those who did not pass these tests should be required to receive 160 hours of language support. Unwilling parents threatened fines in the future.

## April 4th Tuesday

Germany 2006 - After a ruling of the administrative court Berlin the federation could abet foreign abducted Germans the costs for their liberation not into account. There would be no legal basis for this. Thus, the judges had decided in favor of a German citizen, who was released in 2003 after ten weeks hostage in Colombia. According to the Foreign Office, she should pay more than 12,600 euros for a helicopter flight.

## April 4th Tuesday

Thailand 2006 - The country's prime minister, Thaksin Shinawatra, announced his resignation in the face of mass protests in connection with the controversial parliamentary election on 2 April. However, he wanted to remain in office until the election of a successor.

## April 4th Tuesday

Kuwait 2006 - For the first time in the country's history, women were allowed to vote. It was about the by-election for a local council post.

# 2007 49 years old

# April 4th Wednesday

ran 2007 - Without preconditions, Iran released the 15 British Marines captured on 23 March.

## April 4th Wednesday

USA / Syria 2007 - US House of Representatives spokeswoman Nancy Pelosi had held talks with the Syrian government in Damascus despite criticism from US President George W. Bush. She had sent Syria's President Bashar Al Assad an offer of Israel for peace talks.

# 2008 **50** years old

## April 3th Thursday

NATO 2008 - The Organization invited Albania and Croatia to join NATO in 2009, after all the Member States and these two countries themselves had ratified the invitation.

# 2009 51 years old

## April 4th Saturday

NATO 2009 - NATO celebrated the 60th anniversary of its founding.

# 2010 52 years old

## **April 5th Monday**

Brazil 2010 - In the Brazilian city of Rio de Janeiro, about 300 people were killed by landslides and floods.

## April 5th Monday

Space 2010 - The space shuttle mission STS-131 was launched to supply the International Space Station ISS.

# **2011 53** years old

#### April 3th Sunday

FRG 2011 - The 23rd Federal Congress of the German Police Union took place in Berlin.

# 2012 **54** years old

## April 4th Wednesday

n Ankara (Turkey) began the trial of former President Kenan Evren (\* 1917) and against the former commander of the air forces Tahsin Sahinkaya (\* 1925). Evren was the 7th President of the Turkish Republic from 1980 to 1989, and Sahinkaya served as the Air Force Commander between 1978 and 1983.

#### April 4th Wednesday

The Federal Administrative Court declared nocturnal take-offs and landings in the time between 23 and 5 o'clock at the Frankfurt airport inadmissible. This had been preceded by months of protests from residents of Frankfurt am Main airport.

# 2013 55 years old

# April 4th Thursday

The party leadership of the National Democratic Party of Germany -NPD - announced all employees of the Berlin headquarters.

# April 4th Thursday

The software division Lucas Arts was discontinued by Disney. As part of the closure, all programmers at the development facility in Marine County were fired.

#### April 4th Thursday

On the Ugandan rebel leader Joseph Kony (\* 1961) and other members of the rebel force Lord's Resistance Army was exposed by the US government a bounty of five million dollars.

#### April 4th Thursday

In Dresden, the trial began because of serious breach of the peace against the youth pastor and chairman of the Junge Gemeinde Jena, Lothar König (\* 1954), before the Dresden District Court.

## April 4th Thursday

The British Library began to archive all UK websites as the nation's "digital memory".

## April 4th Thursday

Kassel-Calden Airport was opened with the landing of a Germania Airline aircraft coming from Frankfurt am Main airport. The runway of the regional airport is 2500 meters long.

#### **April 4th Thursday**

In Mumbai (India) the shell of a house collapsed. There were 72 people lost their lives.

# April 4th Thursday

Russia was condemned by the European Court of Human Rights for violating the right to freedom of expression.

## April 4th Thursday

Offshore leaks were the subject of a concentrated news coverage campaign in international media. The speech was from a record with 130,000 names of people who should have invested their assets in tax havens.

# 2014 **56** years old

#### April 4th Friday

In the Solomon Islands, at least 16 people were killed in a deluge of the rivers Matanikau and Lungga in the province of Guadalcanal.

## April 4th Friday

n the Aegean Sea, a magnitude 5.7 seaquake on the island of Hydra caused a magnitude 5.4 earthquake.

# April 4th Friday

The upper airspace for civil aircraft was released by NATO 15 years after the end of the Kosovo War. **April 4th Friday** 

Two Associated Press journalists in the Tanai District, Afghanistan, were killed in an attack outside Chost Governor Abdul Jabbar Naeemi's compound. The German photographer Anja Niedringhaus had been killed. Her colleague, Canadian journalist Kathy Gannon, was severely wounded.

#### April 4th Friday

In the United States, Anadarko Petroleum has reached an agreement with the US Department of Justice, represented by New York Procuratorate Preet Bharara, to pay \$ 5.15 billion (3.75 billion euros) for environmental pollution at its Kerr subsidiary. McGee Corporation at 2,700 contaminated sites by uranium mining. The decontamination of contaminated soils should be around \$ 4.4 billion.

#### 57 years old 2015

## April 4th Saturday

A fire had been set up in the accommodation for asylum seekers in Tröglitz in the district of Burgenland in Saxony-Anhalt. The police had started the investigation for arson. The honorary mayor of the place had resigned in early March 2015 because of right-wing extremist hostility from his post.

# April 4th Saturday

Between Sicily and the Libyan coast, Italian Coast Guard and Navy ships, as well as an Icelandic Coast Guard ship operating on behalf of the EU border agency Frontex, rescued more than 1,800 boat people from distress.

#### 2016 58 years old

## April 4th Monday

In Greece, the implementation of the agreement between the European Union (EU) and Turkey had begun. The first irregular migrants had been returned from the islands of Lesbos and Chios by ship to Turkey.

#### 2017 59 years old

# April 4th Tuesday

Germany 2017 - The new € 50 banknote was issued by the European Central Bank (ECB) in Frankfurt am Main. In the first step, it had been around 5.4 billion pieces for ATMs, bank counters and POS systems. With the new bill, counterfeiters should be called the fight.

## April 4th Tuesday

Syria in 2017 - A poison gas attack on the rebel-held city of Khan Shaykhun in the northwest of the country killed more than 50 people, including many women and children. Other people had been injured. In the morning fighter jets had made three attacks. Syria and its ally Russia had denied the use of such weapons and instead referred to a hit rebel arms.

## April 4th Tuesday

Iraq in 2017 - At least 31 people were killed when suspected Daesh militants attacked a police station in the Al-Zihoor district of Tikrit town. Another 40 people were injured.

# 60 years old

# April 4th Wednesday

Gold Coast / Australia: Start of the 21st Commonwealth Games. At the opening ceremony, Australian Aboriginal people demonstrated against the Games and their social disadvantage.

## April 4th Wednesday

London / United Kingdom: From St. Pancras Station, the first train started on its direct route to Amsterdam. The train was operated by Eurostar International.

#### 2019 61 years old

## April 4th Thursday

On the occasion of the 70th anniversary of the signing of the North Atlantic Treaty, NATO Foreign Ministers met in Washington D.C. (USA).

# April 4th Thursday

A data leak on Facebook became known. Affected were over 540 million user data.

## Here are some celebrities who have their birthday on April 4th.

Source: https://www.promi-geburtstage.de The age information refers to 2019

#### **Austin Mahone**

American pop singer

Austin Mahone has a birthday on April 4, 1996. He is 23 years old.

## Jamie Lynn Spears

American singer and actress (sister of Britney Spears)

Jamie Lynn Spears is celebrating her birthday on April 4, 1991. She is 28 years old.

#### Nadine Keßler

German soccer player

Nadine Kessler's birthday is on April 4, 1988. She is 31 years old.

#### Sami Khedira

German-Tunisian soccer player and world champion 2014

Sami Khedira has a birthday on April 4, 1987. He is 32 years old.

#### Sarah Gadon

Canadian actress

Sarah Gadon has a birthday on April 4, 1987. She is 32 years old.

## Heath Ledger †

Australian movie actor

Heath Ledger has his birthday on April 4, 1979. He was 28 years old.

## Natasha Lyonne

**US-american actress** 

Natasha Lyonne has her birthday on April 4, 1979. She is 40 years old.

#### **Nils Brunkhorst**

German actor and singer

Nils Brunkhorst has his birthday on April 4, 1976. He is 43 years old.

#### **Bastian Pastewka**

German actor

Bastian Pastewka has his birthday on April 4, 1972. He is 47 years old.

#### Jill Scott

American singer and multiple Grammy award winner

Jill Scott's birthday is on April 4, 1972. She is 47 years old.

#### **Mark Kirchner**

German biathlete and biathlon coach as well as multiple world champion and Olympic champion Mark Kirchner has his birthday on April 4, 1970. He is 49 years old.

#### **Ann-Kathrin Kramer**

German actress

Ann-Kathrin Kramer has a birthday on April 4, 1966. She is 53 years old.

#### **Stefan Mappus**

German politician (CDU), former Prime Minister of Baden-Württemberg Stefan Mappus has his birthday on April 4, 1966. He is 53 years old.

## Robert Downey jr.

US-American actor

Robert Downey Jr. His birthday is on April 4, 1965. He is 54 years old.

# **Hugo Weaving**

British-Australian actor ("Matrix")

Hugo Weaving's birthday is on April 4, 1960. He is 59 years old.

## Aki Kaurismäki

Finnish film director

Aki Kaurismäki's birthday is on April 4, 1957. He is 62 years old.

#### **Armin Rohde**

German actor

Armin Rohde's birthday is on April 4, 1955. He is 64 years old.

# Gary Moore †

orthern Irish guitarist, composer and singer

Gary Moore has his birthday on April 4, 1952. He was 58 years old.

## María Mendiola

Spanish singer (vocal duo "Baccara")

María Mendiola has a birthday on April 4, 1952. She is 67 years old.

#### **Udo van Kampen**

German journalist

Udo van Kampen has his birthday on April 4, 1949. He is 70 years old.

# Towje Kleiner †

German actor and screenwriter

Towje Kleiner has his birthday on April 4, 1948. He was 63 years old.

#### Luke Halpin

American actor ("Flipper")

Luke Halpin's birthday is on April 4, 1947. He is 72 years old.

#### **Daniel Cohn-Bendit**

German publicist and politician (Alliance 90 / The Greens)

Daniel Cohn-Bendit has his birthday on April 4, 1945. He is 74 years old.

#### Craig T. Nelson

American actor (series "The District")

Craig T. Nelson has his birthday on April 4, 1944. He is 75 years old.

### **Wolfgang Grupp**

German entrepreneur and owner of the textile company "Trigema" Wolfgang Grupp has his birthday on April 4, 1942. He is 77 years old.

# **Angelica Domröse**

German stage and film actress

Angelica Domröse is celebrating her birthday on April 4, 1941. She is 78 years old.

# Anthony Perkins †

**US-American** actor

Anthony Perkins has his birthday on April 4, 1932. He was 60 years old.

## Chlodwig Poth †

German satirist, draftsman, caricaturist and cartoonist

Chlodwig Poth has his birthday on April 4, 1930. He was 74 years old.

#### Maya Angelou †

American civil rights activist and writer

Maya Angelou has her birthday on April 4, 1928. She was 86 years old.

## **Dettmar Cramer** †

German football player and coach

Dettmar Cramer has his birthday on April 4, 1925. He was 90 years old.

## Peter Vaughan †

British actor

Peter Vaughan's birthday is on April 4, 1923. He turned 93.

# Elmer Bernstein †

American film music composer and Oscar winner

Elmer Bernstein has his birthday on April 4, 1922. He was 82 years old.

# Muddy Waters †

American blues musician

Muddy Waters has his birthday on April 4, 1913. He was 70 years old.