



Josip Broz Tito

Josip Broz-TITO Personal details

- Born 7 May 1892
- Died 4 May 1980 (aged 87)
- Nationality Yugoslav
- Partner Davorjanka Paunović
- Children Zlatica Broz, Hinko Broz, Žarko Leon Broz and Aleksandar Broz



- Josip Broz was born on 7 May 1892 in Kumrovec, in the northern Croatian region of Hrvatsko Zagorje in Austria-Hungary. He was the seventh child of Franjo and Marija Broz. His father, Franjo Broz was a Croat, while his mother Marija, was a Slovene. In the autumn of 1913, he was conscripted into the Austro-Hungarian Army. He was sent to a school for non-commissioned officers and became a sergeant, serving in the 25th Croatian Regiment based in Zagreb. On 25 March 1915, while in Bukovina, he was seriously wounded and captured by the Russians.



- After 13 months at the hospital, Broz was sent to a work camp in the Ural Mountains where prisoners selected him for their camp leader. In February 1917, revolting workers broke into the prison and freed the prisoners. Upon his return, Broz joined the Communist Party of Yugoslavia.



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- He was General Secretary and went on to lead the World War II Yugoslav guerrilla movement, the Partisans (1941–45). After the war, he was the Prime Minister (1943–63), President of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (SFRY). From 1943 to his death in 1980, he held the rank of Marshal of Yugoslavia, serving as the supreme commander of the Yugoslav military, the Yugoslav People's Army (JNA).



Origin of the name "Tito"

- "Tito" was simply the last of his Comintern codenames. His previous codename, "Walter", is said to have come from the pistol he carried, a Walther PPK. According to this theory, the codename "Tito" supposedly comes from Tito acquiring a TT-30 pistol.



- Josip Broz Tito received a total of 119 awards and decorations from 60 countries around the world (59 countries and Yugoslavia). 21 decorations were from Yugoslavia itself.



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- Tito died 4. may 1980 in Ljubljana Slovenia his funeral was the biggest in the world.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q7Txj43GmYA>

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