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Robert Burns, Scotland's national poet, was born on January 25, 1759, and died on July 21, 1796. He is best known for his works of Scottish folk poetry and pastoral verse. Burns was a prominent citizen, men who lead in politics and business, and was often referred to as the first true poet of the rural classes.

In the 19th century, Burns' fame began to spread, and his birthday is now celebrated throughout Scotland and beyond as the national holiday. His birthday, July 25, is a public holiday in Scotland.

Burns' poetry is known for its simplicity, its celebration of the rural life, and its love of nature. Many of his poems have become well-known songs, such as "Auld Lang Syne" and "Forth he was unequal to the task and asked..."

Burns' birthday is celebrated every year by holding Burns suppers, which are a traditional Scottish meal that celebrates Burns' life and legacy. These suppers are often held in pubs and restaurants, and include dishes such as haggis and tattie scons.

Burns' birthday is also celebrated in the United States, particularly in Scotland's many communities there. Burns' birthday is celebrated on the 25th of July, and is a public holiday in Scotland.
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