

A close-up portrait of actor James Caan. He has dark, wavy hair and is looking slightly off-camera with a serious expression. He is wearing a dark, textured jacket over a light-colored collared shirt.

Today in History

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▲ **James Caan**, renowned for his role as Sonny Corleone in the mafia epic *The Godfather*, and a string of other key films of the 1970s, died aged 82

1553: Mary I, daughter of King Henry VIII, became the first queen of England to rule in her own right

1942: **Anne Frank** and her family took refuge from the Nazis by going into hiding in Amsterdam

2003: President Charles Taylor of Liberia agreed to go into exile in Nigeria

2003: Ould M'Bareck, a former slave turned politician, became prime minister of Mauritania, which only abolished slavery in 1980