

# Fun Facts About...

## Naomi Shemer

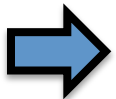
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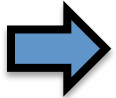
Shemer is known as the “First Lady of Israeli Song.”



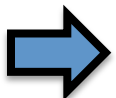
Shemer was born on Kvuzat Kinneret and grew up overlooking the shores of the Jordan River.



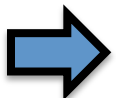
Many of Shemer’s songs recreate the landscape that was such a part of her youth, and reflect her love of the topography and scenery of Eretz Israel.



Shemer was asked to compose a song for the Israel Song Festival in 1967. The song that she composed was the well-known “Jerusalem of Gold,” which became instantly popular.



Following the Six Day War, Shemer added a fourth stanza to “Jerusalem of Gold”, celebrating the liberation of the Old City of Jerusalem and the road to Jericho.



One of Shemer’s most popular songs is “Lu Yehi” which began as a translation of the Beatles’ song “Let It Be.”



Shemer was buried at Kibbutz Kinneret where she was born. The engraving of her name on her headstone is a replica of her signature.

