

## FACT SHEET

## Life after The Beatles

In their time, The Beatles released 23 albums, and since they broke up, over 150 compilations, interviews and videos have been released. The *Guinness World Records* estimates that over one billion Beatles albums have been sold.

### Paul McCartney

The most prolific ex-Beatle, McCartney enjoyed sustained success with his band Wings, which included his wife Linda Eastman. He is currently listed in the *Guinness World Records* as the most commercially successful musician and songwriter in history.

### George Harrison

Known as the quiet Beatle, Harrison released a dozen solo albums (including two with The Travelling Wilburys) and produced many films through his company Handmade Films. He died from cancer in 2001.

### Ringo Starr

Starr also released a dozen solo albums, and is well known as the narrator of the *Thomas the Tank Engine* series for children. He continues to tour with his All Starr band. His son Zac has also forged a successful career as a rock drummer.

### John Lennon

Lennon released seven albums between 1970 and 1980, the last just three weeks before he was murdered outside his New York apartment in December 1980. His song 'Imagine' illustrates his philosophy and musical direction after his time with The Beatles.