

## Alexander Hamilton

b. Nevis, c. 1755; d. New York, 7/12/1804.

Hamilton was born into poverty, but went on to become a soldier, author, congressman, and New York's only signer of the U.S. Constitution. As our first Secretary of the Treasury, he brought order to the nation's finances and the American economy. He died after being wounded while fighting a duel with Vice President Aaron Burr.

"Give all power to the many, they will oppress the few. Give all power to the few, they will oppress the many."