

~ Edna O'Brien

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Edna O'Brien, Irish novelist, memoirist, & short-story writer, died on July 27, at 93. Elected to Aosdána, she was honoured with the title Saoi in 2015. O'Brien's works often revolved around the inner feelings of women and their problems in relating to men, and to society as a whole. Her first novel, *The Country Girls* (1960), on breaking silence on sexual matters in Ireland after WWII, was banned, burned and denounced from the pulpit.



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