

Brian Keith
Actor, Marine, Raconteur*
1921-1997



* The above dedication appeared in the end credits of the last project Brian Keith filmed, *Rough Riders* (1997).

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Organized to pursue recognition for Mr. Brian Keith on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

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While this group is currently dedicated to the single purpose of securing a star for Brian Keith, we became acquainted through an online group devoted to one of his television series, *Hardcastle and McCormick*. When Amy pointed out that he didn't yet have a star, we were amazed, and decided to do something about it. As long time fans, it is important to us that Mr. Keith receive this recognition, and Mrs. Keith has graciously given us her permission to pursue our goal. Our efforts are organized and updated through our website, www.starforbrian.com.

Nomination Procedures for the Hollywood Walk of Fame

Johnny Grant, Ceremonial Mayor of Hollywood, is Chairman of the Walk of Fame. He presides over the four other members of his committee, who each represent a Walk of Fame category. The categories include motion pictures, television, radio, recording and live theatre. The committee will select approximately 12-15 names for insertion into the Walk.

When nominating an individual or group, the sponsor must submit a photo, a bio and the nominee's qualifications as well as a list of contributions to the community and civic-oriented participation. A letter of agreement from the nominee or his/her management must be included with the application.

Nominations are accepted by the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce during a scheduled 60-day nomination period announced to Hollywood's entertainment trade publications and print and broadcast media. Nomination of an individual or group must be approved by the Walk of Fame Committee, sometimes requiring several annual nominations before a nominee is selected to receive a star. The ten to fifteen most qualified artists nominated are eligible for a star to be installed in the Walk during the subsequent year. Those not selected for the current year are requested to resubmit for the following nomination period. The criteria for receiving a star consists of the following: professional achievement, longevity of five years or more, contributions to the community and the guarantee that the celebrity will attend the dedication ceremony if selected. Posthumous awards require a five-year waiting period. After the Walk of Fame Committee has made its selections, the Chamber's Board of Directors also vote to approve the star and then for a final vote, the names are submitted to the City of Los Angeles' Board of Public Works Department.

Source: <http://www.hollywoodchamber.net/icons/nomination.asp>

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A Brief Biography

Well-known fixture of American stage, television, and screen, Brian Keith was born Robert Alba Keith on November 14, 1921 in Bayonne, New Jersey. His parents were vaudevillians Robert Keith and Helena Shipman. Brian had an early exposure to stage life, which included an appearance, at age three, in a silent film called *Pied Piper Malone*.

At age nineteen, in the summer of 1941, he joined the Marine Corps, serving throughout the duration of World War II, with two years in combat as a tail gunner. He was honorably discharged in 1945 and subsequently awarded an Air Medal for service in the Solomon Islands Campaign. He earned other honors including an Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, the World War II Victory Medal, and rifle and pistol badges.

After his discharge from the military, Mr. Keith took on the family trade, settling in New York as a stage actor. He appeared in many Broadway productions, including *Mr. Roberts* and *The Moon is Blue*. He also appeared in innumerable programs in the pioneering medium of television, credited as Robert Keith Jr.

In 1953 he was cast with Charlton Heston and Jack Palance in the Paramount picture, *Arrowhead*. From then on, he managed parallel movie and television careers that spanned five decades. His most memorable movie roles included Teddy Roosevelt in *The Wind and the Lion* and Mitch Evers in *The Parent Trap*. But, he played a myriad of parts, from Western second leads, to the beleaguered family man in *With Six You Get Eggroll*.

In television he was equally versatile, from his early days in such playhouse productions as *Alfred Hitchcock Presents*, through nine series of his own, including *The Westerner* and *Hardcastle and McCormick*. It was his role as Uncle Bill, in *Family Affair* (1966-71), that was perhaps his most famous. He garnered three Emmy nominations for Best Actor during the run of that series.

Brian Keith was a man of courage and honor, a hard-working professional, and, to his many fans, a beloved entertainer with a long and diverse career. We remember him fondly.

Brian Keith - Television Credits

Title	Type	Year
The Rough Riders	TV Movie	1997
The Second Civil War	TV Movie	1997
Touched By An Angel	Series	1996
Walker Texas Ranger	Series	1996
Pacific Blue	Series	1996
Cybil	Series	1996
Favorite Deadly Sins	TV Movie	1995
Spider Man	Series (Voice)	1995
The Marshal	Series	1995
The Return of Hunter	TV Movie	1995
Great Battles of the Civil War	Documentary	1994
Picture Windows: Language of the Heart	Miniseries	1994
The Commish	Series	1994
Burke's Law	Series	1994
The Secrets of Lake Success	Miniseries	1993
Star Trek: Deep Space Nine	Series	1993
Major Dad	Series	1992
Walter & Emily	Series Regular	1991
The Gambler Returns: The Luck of the Draw	TV Movie	1991
The Young Riders	Series	1990
Murder She Wrote	Series	1990
Lady in the Corner	TV Movie	1989
Heartland	Series Regular	1989
Perry Mason: The Case of the Lethal Lesson	TV Movie	1989
Pursuit of Happiness	Series Regular	1987
The Alamo: 13 Days to Glory	TV Movie	1987
The B.R.A.T. Patrol	TV Movie	1986
The Murder of Sherlock Holmes	TV Movie	1984
Hardcastle & McCormick	Series Regular	1983
Cry for the Strangers	TV Movie	1982
World War III	TV Movie	1982
Moviola: The Silent Lovers	TV Movie	1980
Power	TV Movie	1980
The Seekers	TV Movie	1979
The Chisholms	Miniseries	1979
Centennial	Miniseries	1978
How the West Was Won	Miniseries	1978
The Court-Marshall of George Armstrong Custer	TV Movie	1977

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In the Matter of Karen Ann Quinlan	TV Movie	1977
Wonderful World of Disney: The Parent Trap	Documentary	1976
The Loneliest Runner	TV Movie	1976
The Quest	TV Movie	1976
The Lion Roars Again	Documentary	1975
Archer	Series Regular	1975
The Zoo Gang	Series	1974
The Brian Keith Show/The Little People	Series Regular	1972
Second Chance	TV Movie	1972
Vengeance is the Spur	TV Movie	1971
Wonderful World of Disney: Those Calloways	Documentary	1969
Family Affair	Series Regular	1966
Profiles in Courage	Series	1964
The Tenderfoot	TV Movie	1964
The Great Adventure	Series	1964
Kraft Suspense Theatre	Series	1964
Bristle Face	TV Movie	1964
Redigo	Series	1963
77 Sunset Strip	Series	1963
Wagon Train	Series	1963
The Fugitive	Series	1963
Dr. Kildare	Series	1963
Sam Benedict	Series	1963
Johnny Shiloh	TV Movie	1963
The Virginian	Series	1963
The Alfred Hitchcock Hour	Series	1962
Target: The Corruptors	Series	1962
Alfred Hitchcock Presents	Series	1962
Follow the Sun	Series	1962
Outlaws	Series	1962
Alcoa Premiere	Series	1961
Frontier Circus	Series	1961
The Americans	Series	1961
The Untouchables	Series	1961
The Westerner	Series Regular	1960
Laramie	Series	1959
Rawhide	Series	1959
Zane Grey Theater	Series	1959
Climax Mystery Theater	Series	1957

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Title	Type	Year
Wire Service	Series	1957
The Ford Television Theatre	Series	1957
Lux Video Theatre	Series	1957
The Brothers	Series	1957
Strange Stories	Series	1956
Jane Wyman Theater	Series	1955
Crusader	Series Regular	1955
Studio 57	Series	1955
The Adventures of Ellery Queen	Series	1955
The Elgin Hour	Series	1955
The Pepsi-Cola Playhouse	Series	1955
Campbell Summer Soundstage	Series	1954
The Mask	Series	1954
Motorola TV Theatre	Series	1954
Robert Montgomery Presents	Series	1953
The United States Steel Hour	Series	1953
Eye Witness	Series	1953
Suspense	Series	1952
Police Story	Series	1952
Tales of Tomorrow	Series	1952

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Title	Year
Follow Your Heart	1998
Walking Thunder -Narrator (Voice)	1997
Entertaining Angels: The Dorothy Day Story	1996
Wind Dancer	1993
Welcome Home	1989
After the Rain	1988
Young Guns	1988
Death Before Dishonor	1987
Sharky's Machine	1981
Charlie Chan and the Curse of the Dragon Queen	1981
The Mountain Men	1980
Meteor	1979
Hooper	1978
Nickelodeon	1976
Joe Panther	1976
The Wind and the Lion	1975
The Yakuza	1975
Scandalous John	1971
Something Big	1971
The McKenzie Break	1970
Suppose They Gave a War and Nobody Came?	1970
Krakatoa East of Java	1969
Gally Gally	1969
With Six You Get Eggroll	1968
Reflections in a Golden Eye	1967
Way...Way Out	1966
Nevada Smith	1966
The Russians Are Coming The Russians Are Coming	1966
The Rare Breed	1966
The Hallelujah Trail	1965
Those Calloways	1965
The Pleasure Seekers	1964
A Tiger Walks	1964
The Raiders	1963
Savage Sam	1963
Moon Pilot	1962
The Parent Trap	1961
The Deadly Companions	1961
Ten Who Dared	1960
The Young Philadelphians	1959

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Title	Year
Violent Road	1958
Villa!	1958
Sierra Baron	1958
Desert Hell	1958
Fort Dobbs	1958
Hell Canyon Outlaws	1957
If I Should Die	1957
Chicago Confidential	1957
Run of the Arrow	1957
Dino	1957
Nightfall	1957
Storm Center	1956
5 Against the House	1955
Tight Spot	1955
The Bandits	1955
The Bamboo Prison	1954
Jivaro	1954
Alaska Seas	1954
Arrowhead	1953

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