



Joanna Moore

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Joanna Moore (November 10, 1934 – November 22, 1997) was an American film and television actress. Over the course of her career, she appeared in more than eighty television and film roles.

From 1963 to 1967, she was married to actor Ryan O'Neal, with whom she had two children: Griffin and Tatum O'Neal.

Moore's career hit its peak in the 1960s. During that time, she guest starred in several popular shows of the era including Alfred Hitchcock Presents, Perry Mason, Bewitched, and The Real McCoys. One of her more notable recurring roles was as Sheriff Andy Taylor's love interest, Peggy "Peg" McMillan in four episodes of The Andy Griffith Show from 1962 to 1963. Moore was a guest star in television westerns like The Rifleman, Wagon Train, Gunsmoke, The Rebel, and The Virginian. By the 1970s, her career began to wane because of drug and alcohol issues. She made her final onscreen appearance in 1986. Moore died of lung cancer in 1997.

Early life

Moore was born **Dorothy Joanne Cook** in Americus, Georgia, the elder of two daughters of Dorothy Martha (née English) and Henry Anderson Cook III.^[1] In 1941, when she was a child, her parents and younger sister were involved in a fatal car accident. Her mother and sister died immediately, while her father died a year after of the injuries he sustained in the accident. Moore was then adopted by a wealthy local family and changed her name from Dorothy to Joanna.^[2]

As a teen, she married and quickly divorced Willis Moore in 1951. After the divorce, she attended Agnes Scott College in Decatur, Georgia. While attending college, she entered and

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Moore in 1964

Born	Dorothy Joanne Cook ^[1] <div>November 10, 1934</div> <div>Parrott, Georgia, U.S.^[1]</div>
Died	November 22, 1997 (aged 63) <div>Indian Wells, California, U.S.</div>
Cause of death	<u>Lung cancer</u>
Resting place	Oak Grove Cemetery, <div><u>Americus, Georgia</u></div>
Nationality	American
Other names	Joanna Cook Moore
Alma mater	<u>Agnes Scott College</u>
Occupation	Actress
Years active	1957–1986
Spouse(s)	Willis Moore (1951) <div><u>Don Oreck</u> (m., 1955–1957)</div>

won a beauty contest and was brought to Hollywood. Moore's acting career began when a producer for Universal Studios spotted her at a cocktail party.

Career

1950s

Moore made her television debut in the November 8, 1956, episode of *Lux Video Theatre*. The following year, she made her film debut in the 1957 crime drama *Appointment with a Shadow*. Later that year, she appeared in episodes of *Goodyear Theater* and *Harbormaster* along with another film, *Slim Carter*. In 1958, she had a small role in the film noir classic *Touch of Evil* with Orson Welles, Charlton Heston, Janet Leigh, and Marlene Dietrich, followed by more substantial roles in the horror film *Monster on the Campus* and the western *Ride a Crooked Trail*.

From 1958 to 1959, Moore landed guest spots on television, including *Studio One*, *Suspicion*, *The Rough Riders*, *Bourbon Street Beat*, *Bat Masterson*, *The Real McCoys*, and *Riverboat*. She made a guest appearance on *Perry Mason* as the title character in the 1958 episode "The Case of the Terrified Typist."

1960s

During the 1960s, Moore continued her career guest-starring on numerous television shows in addition to film appearances. From 1960 to 1961, she guest-starred on *Five Fingers*, *The Rebel*, *Hong Kong*, *The Untouchables*, *77 Sunset Strip*, *Going My Way*, and *Empire*.

In 1962, Moore appeared as Miss Precious in *Walk on the Wild Side* with Jane Fonda, Barbara Stanwyck and Capucine, followed by the musical, *Follow That Dream* with Elvis Presley. That same year, Moore appeared in four episodes of *The Andy Griffith Show* as Peggy "Peg" McMillan, Sheriff Taylor's love interest. In 1963, she co-starred in *Son of Flubber* and was cast in *The Man from Galveston*, intended as the pilot for *Temple Houston*. Also that year she made a second guest appearance on *Perry Mason* as Grace Olney in "The Case of the Reluctant Model." In 1964, she guest-starred on *Bob Hope Presents the Chrysler Theatre*.

From 1965 to 1967, Moore guest starred on *The Man from U.N.C.L.E.*, *The Rogues*, *My Three Sons*, *Peyton Place* (starring Moore's then husband, Ryan O'Neal), *Daniel Boone*, *Cowboy in Africa*, and *The Iron Horse*. In 1967, Moore appeared as Daphne Harper, a snob and former college beauty queen chum of Darrin's, in the "Charlie Harper, Winner" episode of *Bewitched*. During the time, Moore also had an uncredited role as "Angie," the widow of Jesse Coe, in *Nevada Smith* starring Steve McQueen.

Throughout the 1950s and 1960s, Moore also made multiple appearances on *The Millionaire*, *The United States Steel Hour*, *Route 66*, *Wagon Train*, *Alfred Hitchcock Presents* (and *The Alfred Hitchcock Hour*), *Hawaiian Eye*, *Alcoa Premiere*, *Gunsmoke*, *The Fugitive*, *The Virginian*, *High Chaparral*, *The F.B.I.*, and *The Rifleman*.

1970s and 1980s

	<u>Ryan O'Neal</u> (m. 1963–1967) <u>Gary L. Reeves</u> (m. 1975–1976)
Children	<u>Tatum O'Neal</u> <u>Griffin O'Neal</u>
Parent(s)	<u>Henry Anderson Cook</u> (1901-1942) <u>Dorothy Martha English Cook</u> (1916-1941)
Relatives	<u>Virginia Louesa Cook</u> (sister 1940-1941)

During the 1970s, Moore continued with guest roles on *Nanny and the Professor*, *The Governor & J.J.*, and *McCloud*. In 1973, she appeared in the television adaption of the 1954 film *Three Coins in the Fountain*, also starring *Yvonne Craig* and *Cynthia Pepper*. In 1974 she appeared on *The Waltons* in the episode entitled "The Departure." In 1975, she co-starred in the feature film *The Hindenburg*. The next year, she guest-starred on *Petrocelli* and *The Blue Knight* and made two appearances on *Bronk*.

By the late 1970s, Moore's career had begun to wane owing to personal problems. Her only two on-screen appearances after 1976 were in a supporting role in the 1980 television film *Scout's Honor* starring *Gary Coleman* and a small bit part in the 1986 Australian film *Run Chrissie Run!*.

Personal life

Marriages and children

On April 3, 1963, Moore married her third husband, actor *Ryan O'Neal*.^[3] The couple had two children: *Tatum O'Neal* (b. 1963) and *Griffin O'Neal* (b. 1964).^[4] The marriage was tempestuous and the couple separated in early 1966.^[5] In February 1967, their divorce became final.^[2]

In February 1975, she married roofing contractor *Gary L. Reeves*.^[6] They divorced in 1977.

Drug and alcohol abuse

Around the time of her separation from O'Neal, Moore began to abuse alcohol and drugs, namely *amphetamines*, and she became addicted. She continued acting, but her depression worsened over her impending divorce.

In 1970, Moore checked into the *Camarillo State Hospital* for psychiatric treatment. The next year, she was arrested for drunk driving after she and O'Neal got into a fight while she and their children were visiting O'Neal's *Malibu* home. After her arrest, she lost custody of her children.^[2]

By the late 1970s, she was being supported financially by her daughter, *Tatum*, who had become an *Academy Award*-winning actress at age 10 and one of the highest-paid child stars of the era. The children were still in *Ryan O'Neal*'s custody, and despite treatment, Moore continued to abuse drugs and alcohol. As a result, she was arrested five times for *DUI* during the 1980s.^[2]

Hearing loss

In the early 1960s, Moore became deaf as a result of *otosclerosis*, which her doctor said resulted from a deposit of calcium in her middle ear. Moore said that she had to read lips to understand what people were saying. An operation restored her hearing.^[7]

Death

In 1996, Moore, a longtime smoker, was diagnosed with *lung cancer*. On November 22, 1997, she died from the disease at age 63. Her daughter, *Tatum O'Neal*, was by her side at the time of her death. Moore was initially interred at *Hillside Memorial Park* in *Redlands*, *California*, but her family later moved her remains to Oak

Grove Cemetery in her home town of Americus, Georgia.^[2]^[8]

Cultural reference

Moore's grandson Kevin McEnroe (son of Tatum O'Neal and John McEnroe) wrote a roman à clef about her titled *Our Town*, published in 2015.^[9]

Selected filmography



Film			
Year	Title	Role	Notes
1957	<i><u>Appointment with a Shadow</u></i>	Penny Spencer	Alternative title: <i>If I Should Die</i>
1957	<i><u>Slim Carter</u></i>	Charlene Carroll	
1958	<i><u>Flood Tide</u></i>	Barbara Brooks	
1958	<i><u>Touch of Evil</u></i>	Marcia Linnekar	
1958	<i><u>Ride a Crooked Trail</u></i>	Little Brandy	
1958	<i><u>Monster on the Campus</u></i>	Madeline Howard	
1959	<i><u>The Last Angry Man</u></i>	Alice Taggart	
1962	<i><u>Walk on the Wild Side</u></i>	Miss Precious	
1962	<i><u>Follow That Dream</u></i>	Alisha Claypoole	
1963	<i><u>Son of Flubber</u></i>	Desiree de la Roche	
1963	<i><u>The Man from Galveston</u></i>	Rita Dillard	
1966	<i><u>Nevada Smith</u></i>	Angie Coe - Saloon Girl & Widow of Jesse Coe	Uncredited
1968	<i><u>Countdown</u></i>	Mickey Stegler	
1968	<i><u>Never a Dull Moment</u></i>	Melanie Smooth	
1972	<i>J.C.</i>	Miriam Wages	Alternative title: <i>Iron Horsemen</i>
1975	<i><u>The Hindenburg</u></i>	Mrs. Channing	
1986	<i><u>Run Chrissie Run!</u></i>	Cricket coach	Alternative title: <i>Moving Targets</i> , (final film role)

Television

Year	Title	Role	Notes
1956	<u>Lux Video Theatre</u>	Stephanie	Episode: "Jezebel"
1957	<u>Goodyear Theater</u>	Alice Bowles	Episode: "Lost and Found"
1957	<u>Harbormaster</u>	Maggie	Episode: "The Wreckers"
1958	<u>Bachelor Father</u>	Diana Webster	Episode: "Parent's Night"
1958	<u>Kraft Television Theatre</u>	Paula Carter	Episode: "Death for Sale"
1958	<u>Perry Mason</u>	Patricia Taylor	Episode: "The Case of the Terrified Typist"
1959	<u>Maverick</u>	Linda	Episode: "The Lass with the Poisonous Air"
1959	<u>The Rifleman</u>	Eleanor Claremont	Episode: "Obituary"
1960	<u>Tales of Wells Fargo</u>	Arlene Howell	Episode: "The Easterner"
1960	<u>Gunsmoke</u>	Colleen Tawny	Episode: "Colleen So Green"
1960	<u>Gunsmoke</u>	Cherry O'Dell	Episode: "Cherry Red"
1960	<u>Adventures in Paradise</u>	Ricky	Episode: "The Siege of Troy"
1961	<u>The Brothers Brannagan</u>	Amanda Barnes	Episode: "A Matter of Millions"
1961	<u>Follow the Sun</u>	Constance	Episode: "The Far Side of Nowhere"
1961	<u>Route 66</u>	Trinket	Episode: "A Skill For Hunting"
1962	<u>Ripcord</u>	Jill Kelly	Episode: "Chute to Kill"
1962	<u>The Dick Powell Show</u>	Jeanne Luring	Episode: "Squadron"
1962	<u>Route 66</u>	Lola	Episode: "There I Am - There I Always Am"
1962–1963	<u>The Andy Griffith Show</u>	Peggy McMillan	4 episodes
1963	<u>Going My Way</u>	Gerry	Episode: "Don't Forget to Say Goodbye"
1963	<u>The Dakotas</u>	Doll Harvey	Episode: "Justice at Eagle's Nest"
1963	<u>Perry Mason</u>	Grace Olney	Episode: "The Case of the Reluctant Model"
1964	<u>The Fugitive</u>	Helen Simmons	Episode: "Never Stop Running"
1964	<u>The Lieutenant</u>	Julie Havener	Episode: "Interlude"
1964	<u>The Greatest Show on Earth</u>	Denny Greenleaf	Episode: "There Are No Problems, Only Opportunities"
1965	<u>The Fugitive</u>	Joan Mitchell	Episode: "Crack in a Crystal Ball"
1965	<u>The Man from U.N.C.L.E.</u>	Fran Parsons	Episode: "The Deadly Decoy Affair"
1965	<u>The Wild Wild West</u>	Linda Medford	Episode: "The Night of the Fatal Trap"
1966	<u>The Fugitive</u>	Ruth Bianchi	Episode: "Nobody Loses All the Time"
1966	<u>Run for Your Life</u>	Kay Mills	Episode: "The Man Who Had No Enemies"
1966	<u>Felony Squad</u>	Betty Reilly	Episode: "Miss Reilly's Revenge"
1967	<u>Bewitched</u>	Daphne Harper	Episode: "Charlie Harper, Winner"
1967	<u>T.H.E. Cat</u>	Valerie Evans	Episode: "Design for Death"

Year	Title	Role	Notes
1969	<i>Judd, for the Defense</i>	Barbara Townsend	Episode: "Visitation"
1969	<i>The High Chaparral</i>	Charlene "Charly" Converse	Episode: "Lady Fair"
1970	<i>The Name of the Game</i>	Emily	Episode: "A Love to Remember"
1970	<i>The Most Deadly Game</i>	Paula Winton	Episode: "Nightbirds"
1974	<i>Police Story</i>	Lisa Roberts	Episode: "Explosion"
1974	<i>The Waltons</i>	Laura Sue Champion	Episode: "The Departure"
1975	<i>Kung Fu</i>	Lula Morgan	Episode: "The Brothers Caine"
1976	<i>Petrocelli</i>	Kay Willis	Episode: "Death Ride"
1980	<i>Scout's Honor</i>	Ms. Odom	Television film

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