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Pop idol Cassidy's drink-drive rap

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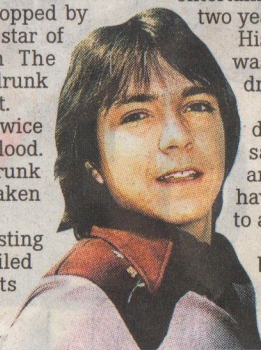
SEVENTIES heart-throb David Cassidy has been arrested for drink-driving after being spotted weaving on a motorway.

The singer - a self-confessed alcoholic - was in his white Mercedes when stopped by police. The 60-year-old former star of the smash-hit 1970s sitcom *The Partridge Family* had a half-drunk bottle of bourbon on his car seat.

Officers said he had nearly twice the legal level of alcohol in his blood. But Cassidy insisted he had drunk only one glass of wine and taken hydrocodone, a painkiller.

In a sworn affidavit, the arresting officer in Florida said Cassidy failed three roadside sobriety tests

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including trying to walk in a straight line and standing on one leg. He was released from jail yesterday on a bail of £215 after he was arrested on Wednesday night.

Cassidy sold 25 million records before his 24th birthday with No1 hits such as *Daydreamer* and, at his peak was the world's highest paid musical entertainer. He revealed he was an alcoholic two years ago.

His daughter, TV actress Katie Cassidy, was arrested in Arizona for under-age drinking three years ago, aged 20.

Cassidy's spokesman denied he was drinking and driving. Jo-Ann Geffen said: "He would never jeopardise anyone on the road and he would not have been driving had he not had to go to a funeral.

"He's never been arrested in his life before for anything."

She said he would dispute the accuracy of the breathalyser tests.



◀ **FALLEN IDOL** Police mugshot of Cassidy