

Never

Before

Told

MAUREEN

BARRY

MARIE

TITO

ALAN

JAY

MICHAEL

JACKSON

MARLON

BERMAINE

BOBBY

RANDY



get autographs. She had worn the brace for more than three years, but soon she was going to have an operation to fix her back. If it was successful, she could throw the brace away. But it was a dangerous operation, and if it failed there was a possibility she might never be able to walk again.

As I took her in to get my brothers' autographs, I thought about her courage. Never to walk again... that was quite a chance to take! I asked her how she had the courage to do it, and she told me she had been a dancer, and she needed to dance again. If she couldn't dance, she didn't care if she could walk!

When the car came, and we said goodbye, I told her I'd pray for her and asked for an address where I could find out how it had gone. She gave it to me—but I lost it later on the trip!

My main wish in the world right now is to know how Laurel's operation came out. Please, Laurel—if you're reading this—make my wish come true! We've all prayed for you...



DAVID CASSIDY:

It seems pretty odd for me to talk about wishes, because I always thought that someone in my position wouldn't have anything left to wish for! I know that when I was a high-school student, it seemed to me that the people who were in show business *must* have everything they want... I mean, how could the *Beatles* have had any big ambitions that they hadn't fulfilled? What could there possibly be that they either didn't have already or couldn't get?

Well, now I know better. Nobody ever gets everything he wants, because people change all the time, and the things I wanted two years ago aren't the things I want *now*.

It's like you start out with certain dreams, and as you get a little older, some of them fade away, and some of them come true—but there are always new ones waiting to pop into your head and take the place of the old ones!

That's the way it's been with me, anyway. There are things I used to want to do—like fly a plane across the Pacific all by myself—that I don't even think about any more, and there are things like having a TV show that I really do *have*! If I were different than I am, I guess the big things that have happened to my career would be enough to make most of my wishes be for professional things, like a big part in a movie, or selling twelve trillion records of a song I wrote, but that's not what I wish for. It's nothing like that at all!



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