

DAVID CONFESSES:



"I'M NOT ALWAYS

YOU CAN BE a good singer, a great performer, a fine actor and not by any means be considered a good guy. A good singer can have a super voice and still be a awful person. To his fans, the voice is the main thing. An actor has that rare gift of becoming whomever he wants to be. That's what acting is: becoming another person. The same is true of a performer.

What does all of this have to do with David Cassidy, the super peach of "Partridge Family" fame? David is a singer, performer and actor. He started off two years ago primarily as an actor. He did

guest shots on such shows as "Medical Center" and "Bonanza." He was learning his trade by doing as many different roles as he could.

Let's face it—David Cassidy is not Keith Partridge. It's like we all know that Lorne Greene is not really Ben Cartwright. He doesn't live on the Ponderosa; Michael Landon, who plays Little Joe, is not his real son. They're actors—and so is David Cassidy. Why should we treat David any differently?

There are similarities and differences between David and the role he plays on TV. Keith Partridge is 18; David Cassidy

is almost 23. Keith lives with his mom and several musical brothers and sisters. David is a bachelor with only one roommate. Keith lives in the midst of a big, bustling, cheerful family. David has a swinging bachelor's pad. Those are just some of the differences.

However, both Keith and David are musicians. Both are into today's music. These are just a few of the many reasons why David plays Keith so well that you think he really is Keith. Also David remembers when he was a teenager (it wasn't *that* long ago). He uses his past

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