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David Cassidy ist tot



David Cassidy live im BB King Club in New York am 10. Januar 2015

Das einstige Teenie-Idol, dessen Hysterie um ihn einen eigenen Namen hatte (Cassidymania), wurde 67 Jahre alt.

David Cassidy ist tot. Der Star der US-Sitcom „The Partridge Family“ und erfolgreiche Solokünstler und Songwriter war an Demenz und Arthritis erkrankt und starb am 21. November 2017 an Organversagen in einem Krankenhaus in Florida. Dies bestätigte seine Sprecherin Jo-Ann Geffen gegenüber „Variety“. Cassidy wurde 67 Jahre alt.

David Cassidys Familie erklärt in einem Statement:

„On behalf of the entire Cassidy family, it is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our father, our uncle, and our dear brother, David Cassidy. David died surrounded by those he loved, with joy in his heart and free from the pain that had gripped him for so long. Thank you for the abundance and support you have shown him these many years.“

David Cassidy wurde am 12. April 1950 in New York geboren. Weltruhm erlangte er bereits als 19-Jähriger, nachdem er die Rolle des Keith Partridge in der ABC-Sitcom „The Partridge Family“ übernahm. Dank Hits wie „I Think I Love You“ wurde die fiktive Familienband 1971 sogar für einen Grammy in der Kategorie „Best New Artist“ nominiert. Durch Spin-offs, Comics und Reunion-Specials lebte der Kult um die TV-Serie auch nach deren Ende 1974 weiter.

Teeniestar Cassidy brach Anfang Siebziger diverse Rekorde. Er verkaufte über 25 Millionen Alben, bekam angeblich 30.000 Briefe von Fans pro Woche, verkaufte alle großen Arenen zwischen Melbourne und New York und war zeitweise erfolgreicher als Elvis Presley oder The Beatles.

Mitte der Siebziger nahm der Erfolg wieder ab. Cassidy spielte in seiner Karriere kleinere Rollen in zahlreichen anderen Serien, außerdem trat er am Theater und in Las Vegas auf. Als Musiker veröffentlichte er zehn Studio- und diverse Live- und Best-Of-Alben. 2008 bekannte er sich öffentlich zu seiner Alkoholabhängigkeit und wurde mehrfach wegen Alkohol am Steuer festgenommen, 2011 trat er in „Celebrity Apprentice“ auf. 2015 erklärte er seinen finanziellen Bankrott.

TRANSLATION

David Cassidy is dead



David Cassidy live at the BB King Club in New York on January 10, 2015

The former teen idol, whose hysteria around him had its own name (Cassidymania), was 67 years old. David Cassidy is dead. The star of the US sitcom “The Partridge Family” and successful solo artist and songwriter was suffering from dementia and arthritis and died of organ failure in a hospital in Florida on November 21, 2017. His spokeswoman Jo-Ann Geffen confirmed this to Variety. Cassidy was 67 years old.

David Cassidy's family said in a statement:

“On behalf of the entire Cassidy family, it is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our father, our uncle, and our dear brother, David Cassidy. David died surrounded by those he loved, with joy in his heart and free from the pain that had gripped him for so long. Thank you for the abundance and support you have shown him these many years.”

David Cassidy was born on April 12, 1950 in New York. He achieved world fame at the age of 19 after taking on the role of Keith Partridge in the ABC sitcom “The Partridge Family”. Thanks to hits like “I Think I Love You,” the fictional family band was even nominated for a Grammy in the “Best New Artist” category in 1971. Through spin-offs, comics and reunion specials, the cult of the TV series lived on even after it ended in 1974.

Teen star Cassidy broke various records in the early 1970s. He sold over 25 million albums, reportedly received 30,000 letters from fans per week, sold out all the major arenas between Melbourne and New York and was at times more successful than Elvis Presley or The Beatles.

In the mid-seventies, success declined again. Cassidy played small roles in numerous other series throughout his career, as well as appearing at the theater and in Las Vegas. As a musician, he released ten studio and various live and best-of albums. In 2008, he publicly acknowledged his alcohol addiction and was arrested several times for drunk driving. In 2011, he appeared on "Celebrity Apprentice." In 2015 he declared financial bankruptcy.