The most famous Partridge

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The teenybopper idol of 1984 is Michael Jackson.

A teenybopper idol of an earlier day was David Cassidy, who was a millionaire at 21 — and quit show business for several years when he was 24.

Cassidy was first seen on Broadway in *The Fig Leaves Are Falling* and on TV in *Ironside*, both in 1969.

He is best remembered for *The Partridge Family*, the 1970-74 ABC situation comedy about a family rock band, which made Cassidy a teen idol.

His stepmother, Shirley Jones, played his mother in the series.

However, burned out by the demands of recording, touring and being pursued by fans, Cassidy stopped performing.

He traveled, and then tried a comeback in 1978 in an NBC-TV

series, David Cassidy — Man Undercover.

He has since turned his attention to the stage.

He appeared in Little Johnny Jones in various cities in 1981.

Cassidy now performs in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.

He appeared in the show on Broadway in 1983 and in the Kenley Players production in Akron two weeks ago.