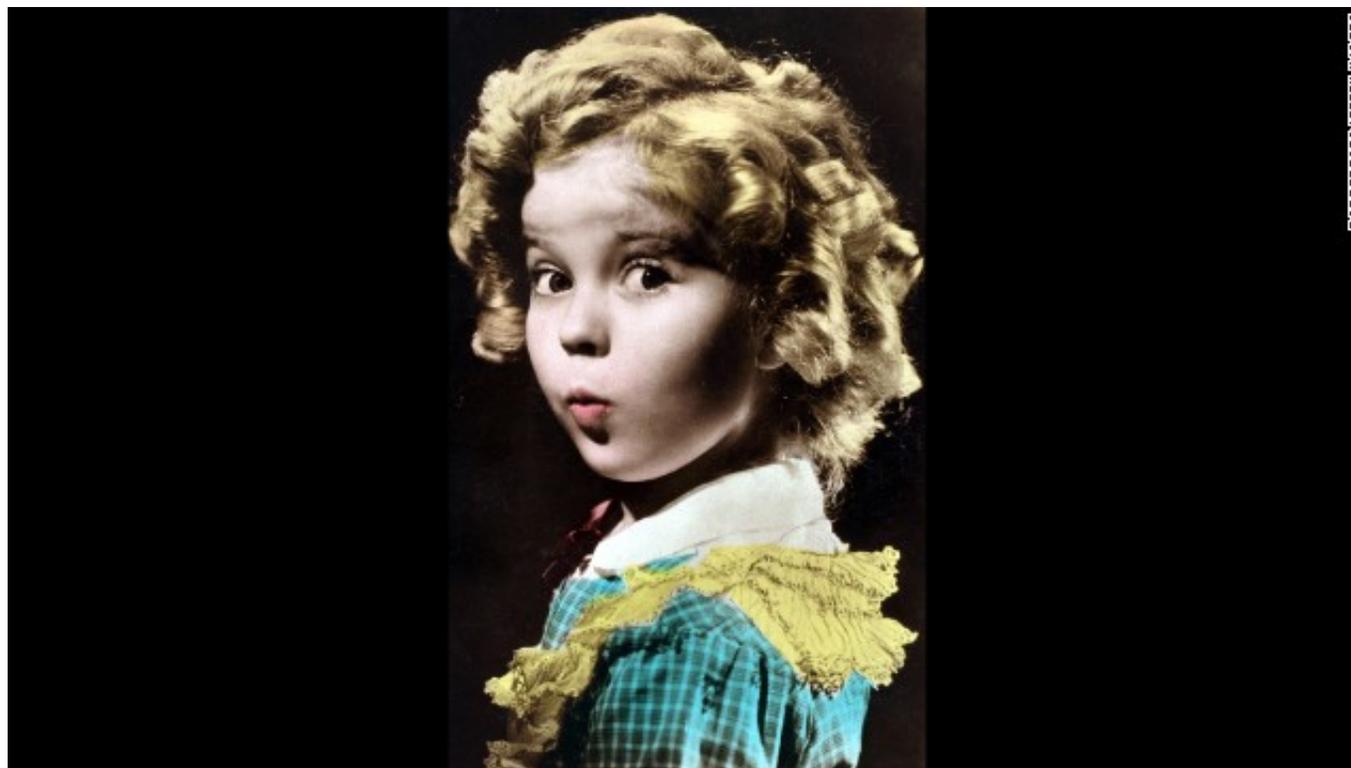


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There will never be another Shirley Temple.



## Jim Lange, Bay Area TV And Radio Legend, Dies

### *"The Dating Game", "Name That Tune" Made Host World-Famous*

**By Kevin Wing**  
**Chapter Vice President, San Francisco**

**Jim Lange**, a legendary Bay Area radio and television personality who went on to international fame as host of television's *The Dating Game* and *The \$100,000 Name That Tune*, died Feb. 25 in Marin County.

Lange died at his home in Mill Valley after suffering a heart attack. He was 81.

Among the most well-known members of the San Francisco/Northern California Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, Lange was inducted into the Chapter's *Silver Circle* in 1993. He was also inducted into the Bay Area Radio



### Jim Lange

*Outside The Dipsea Cafe, Mill Valley, 2011, after being interviewed for his Silver Circle profile in "Off Camera".*

**Photo courtesy of Kevin Wing**

character on *Captain 11*, in which he would introduce science fiction shows, such as *Buck Rogers*.

In late 1965, when he began hosting *The Dating Game*, Lange was still working his 6 a.m.-to-10 a.m. morning drive shift at KSFO. Wanting to maintain living and working in the Bay Area, he flew to Los Angeles three times a week to tape five *Dating Game* shows before flying back to San Francisco.

The show became so popular that a nighttime version premiered in 1966, a year after the ABC version debuted. It remained on the air until 1970. There was also a syndicated version which lasted until 1974.

Some contestants later became famous, including **Farrah Fawcett, John Ritter, Michael Jackson, Steve Martin, Andy Kaufman, Burt Reynolds** and **Tom Selleck**. **Arnold Schwarzenegger** also appeared on the show.

The show was revived in syndication in 1978, airing until 1980.

Lange also hosted *The \$100,000 Name That Tune*, *The \$1,000,000 Chance of a Lifetime*, *Bullseye*, *Hollywood Connection* and *The New Newlywed Game*, among others.

He eventually met and married **Nancy Fleming**, who was crowned Miss America in 1961. In the mid-1970s, Fleming was

Hall of Fame, in 2006.

Lange is perhaps best-known as the original host of *The Dating Game*, a popular daytime game show that ultimately symbolized the swinging late 1960s and 1970s. The show aired eight years on ABC, from 1965 to 1973.

By the time he began hosting the show, he was already an immensely popular radio personality in San Francisco, where he moved after a stint in the Marines. In the 1950s, Lange began working the night shift at KGO Radio, where he became known as the "All-Night Mayor." In 1960, he moved to KSFO, where he remained for 23 years. Two years later, in 1962, he got his big TV break when he was tapped as the announcer on a national variety show starring country singer **Tennessee Ernie Ford**. The show, which aired on ABC, originated from San Francisco.

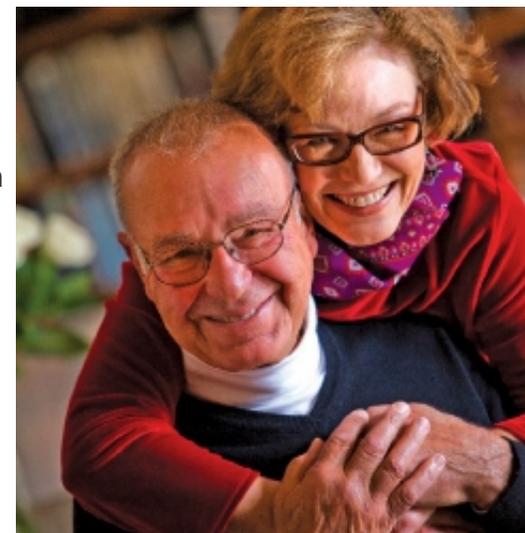
In a 2011 *Off Camera* profile interview in recognition of his *Silver Circle* induction, Lange said he commuted from his home in the Bay Area to Los Angeles during his years as host of *The Dating Game*. The program was produced in Hollywood.

Lange also worked at KFRC-AM, and later at KABL-FM, until his retirement in 2005. He also worked at KMPC Radio in Los Angeles in the early 1970s and then again in the 1980s.

Born James John Lange on Aug. 15, 1932, in St. Paul, Minnesota, he was 15 years old when he won an audition to work as a disc jockey and sports reporter at a local radio station.

He studied radio and television speech with a minor in journalism at the University of Minnesota, where he graduated cum laude.

By the mid-1950s, he was on local television in Minnesota, playing the title



### Jim and Nancy Lange

*Game Show Great Asked For Miss America 1961's Hand In Marriage, and She Said Yes.*



tapped as the original host of *A.M. San Francisco* on KGO-TV.

Lange is survived by his wife, Nancy; sons **Gavin** and **Nicolas**; stepdaughter **Ingrid**; stepson **Steig**; sister **Midge**; and four grandchildren.

## William Schuyler, Pioneer of California TV, Has Died *Instrumental In Launching Oakland's KTVU and Monterey's KMST*

**By Kevin Wing**  
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**William 'Bill' Schuyler**, a Northern California native who, in the early years of television on the West Coast, rose to prominence as a broadcasting entrepreneur when he became one of TV's founding fathers in the San Francisco and Monterey bay areas, has died.

Schuyler died Dec. 10.

For his pioneering contributions to the northern California television industry, Schuyler was among the inaugural inductees, in 1986, of the distinguished *Silver Circle* of the San Francisco/Northern California Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences. He also received a Lifetime Achievement Award for his career accomplishments.

He was born in 1922 and grew up in northern California, eventually moving to southern California as a teenager. During World War II, he was stationed in Japan. After the war he worked for RKO Radio in Los Angeles where he became very interested in a new industry in its infancy, television. Shortly after his marriage to actress **Kristine Miller**, they moved to Santa Barbara where Schuyler was consultant and sales manager for KEYT.

In 1957, the couple relocated to the Bay Area, where Schuyler was part of the team that built KTVU Channel 2 in Oakland. It is where he became the local sales manager for the first