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George Gaynes was born George Jon- Gaynes was born George Jon-

1920s to his father-in-law, Solomon Moss, in New Your City. His mother, Jessie, was a New York Times reporter. Gaynes spent much of his youth in New York City, where he attended P.S. 87 and graduated from New York City High School. He spent the majority of his career as a television and film actor, often playing stern fathers or authority figures. Gaynes was well-known for his role as the father of Punky Brewster, played by 1980s sitcom star P.J. Soles. Gaynes passed away on September 14, 2014, at the age of 94. His death was announced by his family.

1930s Gaynes moved to Los Angeles, where he began his acting career. He appeared in various television shows and films, including episodes of The Andy Griffith Show and The Rifleman. He also had a role in the 1953 film The Locket, which was directed by John Ford.

1940s Gaynes' breakthrough role came in 1955, when he was cast as the father of the title character in the television series Punky Brewster. He played the role for four seasons, and the show became a hit. Gaynes continued to work in television and film, but Punky Brewster remains his most well-known role.

1950s Gaynes was also a successful businessman, owning and operating the Gaynes-McLerie Agency, a talent agency that represented many of the biggest names in television and film. He sold the agency in 1989.

1960s Gaynes continued to work in film, appearing in such classics as The Longest Day, with Richard Burton and Mel Brooks, and The Great Race, with Bob Hope and Sid Caesar.

1970s Gaynes' career continued to flourish, with roles in such films as The Towering Inferno, with Steve McQueen, and The Front Runner, with Mel Gibson.

1980s Gaynes' last role was in the 1984 film Just Married, where he played the father of the title character, played by Matthew Broderick. Gaynes' death was announced by his family on September 14, 2014, at the age of 94.

1990s Gaynes was a beloved figure in the entertainment industry, and he was remembered fondly for his roles in Punky Brewster and Just Married. He was also known for his philanthropy, and he was a donor to the UCLA School of Theater, Film and Television.

2000s Gaynes' legacy continues to live on, with the Punky Brewster character now a fixture on television. His family announced that he had been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease in 2012, and he passed away on September 14, 2014, at the age of 94.