Davy Jones, lead singer of the band The Monkees,died of a heart attack in Florida on Wednesday 29th February 2012. He was 66 years old.

Most of his fans first heard of Davy Jones in 1966, when the Monkees television program invaded living rooms worldwide.

He got his start as a teen actor on British television, and later performed in the West End and Broadway casts of the musical "Oliver."

The Monkees television show ran for two years, it made stars of Jones and his band mates Michael Nesmith, Peter Tork, and Micky Dolenz. The continued success and beloved status of the Monkees is something that Davy Jones didn’t take lightly, or for granted. In a recent interview, Jones talked fondly about his long-time fans.

The Monkees sold millions of records. They had number one hits with "Daydream Believer," "I'm a Believer," and "Last Train to Clarksville." Davy Jones sang lead on several of the Monkees’ bigger hits, including, "A Little Bit Me, A Little Bit You."

In his post-Monkee life, Davy Jones was an actor and avid horseman. He also continued to tour, with his final performance occurring 11 days before his death at his home in Florida.

Thanks to television and hit singles, however, fans will forever remember him as a 21-year-old pop star.