

TCM to Celebrate Legendary Actor Burt Reynolds

Monday, September 10, 2018

Programming Tribute Airing on December 26 to Include *Smokey and the Bandit* (1977) & *The Longest Yard* (1974)



Turner Classic Movies (TCM) will celebrate the life and career of iconic actor, director and producer **Burt Reynolds** with a six-film tribute on **Wednesday, December 26**. Reynolds, who passed away on September 6 at the age of 82, was an Academy Award®-nominated actor who was in more than 100 feature films ranging from comedies to thrillers and was also a staple on television shows like *Evening Shade*.

The following is the complete schedule for TCM's tribute to Burt Reynolds:

TCM Remembers Burt Reynolds - Wednesday, December 26

8:00 p.m. *Smokey and the Bandit* (1977) – A maverick trucker tries to save a runaway bride and a shipment of contraband beer from a small-town sheriff.

10:00 p.m. *Deliverance* (1972) – During a hunting vacation, four men fight against a murderous clan of backwoodsmen.

12:00 a.m. *The Longest Yard* (1974) – When a disgraced NFL quarterback is sent to prison for stealing a car, he's forced by the sadistic warden to take part in a convicts versus guards exhibition football game.

2:15 a.m. *Hooper* (1978) – An aging stuntman teams up with a young hotshot.

4:15 a.m. *Smokey and the Bandit II* (1980) – A raucous political race results in the comeback of the wild ways of the Bandit, again pursued by arch enemy Sheriff Buford T. Justice.

6:00 a.m. *Best Friends* (1982) – Longtime roommates and professional partners find they aren't prepared to make it legal.

For more information, please visit: <http://myt.cm/BurtReynolds>

(All times Eastern)

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