



Name: Andrew Aiken Rooney, a/k/a Andy Rooney

Years: January 14, 1919-to present

Residence: Rowayton, Connecticut

Brief Biography: Andy Rooney was born in Albany, New York. He graduated from Colgate University, Hamilton, New York, in 1941. Later that same year the United States Army drafted Rooney into World War II. In 1942 Rooney married his wife,

Marguerite Howard. His life as a journalist began shortly after, for also in 1942 he then began writing for the Army's newspaper, Stars and Stripes. He served as a correspondent for two years earning a bronze star for his reporting on D-Day and the liberation of the concentration camp, Buchenwald . He came back from the war a changed man and followed suit with many of his fellow veterans- refusing to speak about his experience in the war.

Following the war Rooney wrote for the Arthur Godfrey show until the mid 50s, and then for *Good Morning!* on CBS. Throughout the 1960s Rooney produced, narrated and wrote a series of specials he called "essays." 1978 marked the start of an era, for he began his career on *60 Minutes* with a segment at the end of the show entitled "A few Minutes with Andy Rooney." Andy Rooney's segment became famous for his outspoken, grouchy rants on essentially any topic.

Major Accomplishments

Andy has won three Emmy awards including a Lifetime Achievement Emmy in 2003.

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