



## Dennis Quaid



Dennis William Quaid was born on April 9, 1954 in Houston, Texas to Juanita Bonniedale “Nita” Quaid (née Jordan), a real estate agent & William Rudy Quaid, an electrician. He grew up in the Houston suburban city of Bellaire. He was raised a Baptist, and studied drama, Mandarin Chinese, and dance while a student at Bellaire High School. He continued study at the University of Houston, but dropped out before completing his degree. He moved to Los Angeles to pursue a film career where his brother, Randy Quaid, had already begun to build a successful career. However, Dennis initially had trouble finding film roles, but began to gain notice when he appeared in *Breaking Away* (1979) and earned strong reviews for his role in *The Right Stuff* (1983). Aside from acting, Quaid is also a musician, and plays with his band, “The Sharks”. He holds a flying license and is a five handi-cap golfer.

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