

George Burns Quotes

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I honestly think it is better to be a failure at something you love than to be a success at something you hate.

~George Burns

You know you're getting old when you stoop to tie your shoelaces and wonder what else you could do while you're down there.

~George Burns

There's an old saying, 'Life begins at forty.' That's silly. Life begins every morning you wake up.

~George Burns

Happiness is having a large, loving, caring, close-knit family in another city.

~George Burns

First you forget names, then you forget faces. Next you forget to pull your zipper up and finally, you forget to pull it down.

~George Burns

Too bad that all the people who know how to run the country are busy driving taxicabs and cutting hair.

~George Burns

I look to the future because that's where I'm going to spend the rest of my life.

~George Burns

It takes only one drink to get me drunk. The trouble is, I can't remember if it's the thirteenth or the fourteenth.

~George Burns

I love to sing, and I love to drink scotch. Most people would rather hear me drink scotch.

~George Burns

I get up every morning and read the obituary column. If my name's not there, I eat breakfast.

~George Burns

When you stop giving and offering something to the rest of the world, it's time to turn out the lights.

~George Burns

When I was a boy the Dead Sea was only sick.

~George Burns

Love is a lot like a backache. It doesn't show up on x-rays, but you know it's there.

~George Burns

The secret of a good sermon is to have a good beginning and a good ending, then having the two as close together as possible.

~George Burns

You can't help getting older, but you don't have to get old.

~George Burns

I was brought up to respect my elders, so now I don't have to respect anybody.

~George Burns

If you live to be one hundred, you've got it made. Very few people die past that age.

~George Burns

And God said 'Let there be Satan, so people don't blame everything on me. And let there be lawyers, so people don't blame everything on

Satan.'

~George Burns

If you ask what is the single most important key to longevity, I would have to say it is avoiding worry, stress and tension. And if you didn't ask me, I'd still have to say it.

~George Burns

Acting is all about honesty. If you can fake that, you've got it made.

~George Burns

Retirement at sixty-five is ridiculous. When I was sixty-five I still had pimples.

~George Burns

Young. Old. Just words. Inside we feel like our shoe size.

~George Burns

People ask me what I'd most appreciate getting for my eighty-seventh birthday. I tell them, a paternity suit.

~George Burns

I'm at the age now where just putting my cigar in its holder is a thrill.

~George Burns

In those days the best painkiller was ice; it wasn't addictive and it was particularly effective if you poured some whiskey over it.

~George Burns

Should I be the one to play God? We're both about the same age, but we grew up in different neighborhoods.

~George Burns

Don't stay in bed, unless you can make money in bed.

~George Burns

If I had taken my doctor's advice and quit smoking when he advised me to, I wouldn't have lived to go to his funeral.

~George Burns

Happiness is a dry martini and a good woman ... or a bad woman.

~George Burns

Sex after 90 is like trying to shoot pool with a rope. Even putting my cigar in its holder is a thrill.

~George Burns

There's nothing wrong with making love with the light on. Just make sure the car door is closed.

~George Burns

I don't worry about getting old. I'm old already. Only young people worry about getting old.

~George Burns

I must be getting absent-minded. Whenever I complain that things aren't what they used to be, I always forget to include myself.

~George Burns

There will always be a battle between the sexes because men and women want different things. Men want women and women want men.

~George Burns

I can't understand why I flunked American history. When I was a kid there was so little of it.

~George Burns

Happiness? A good cigar, a good meal, a good cigar and a good

woman - or a bad woman; it depends on how much happiness you can handle.

~George Burns

I don't have a drinking problem. I drink. I get drunk. I fall down, no problem.

~George Burns

When I was in Vegas women were throwing their hotel keys at me. But it was after they checked out.

~George Burns

The heart is a temple wherein all truth resides.

~George Burns

When asked in his late 90s if his doctor knew he still smoked, Burns said, 'No ... he's dead.'

~George Burns

When I was young I was called a rugged individualist. When I was in my fifties I was considered eccentric. Here I am doing and saying the same things I did then and I'm labeled senile.

~George Burns

I never go jogging, it makes me spill my martini.

~George Burns

I spent a year in that town, one Sunday.

~George Burns

I look better, feel better, make love better and I'll tell you something else....I never lied better.

~George Burns

I'm very pleased to be here. Let's face it, at my age I'm very pleased to be anywhere.

~George Burns

With the collapse of vaudeville new talent has no place to stink.

~George Burns

I'd rather be over the hill than under it.

~George Burns

By [age] 93, I had shrunk quite a lot. My car was known as the Phantom Cadillac. People would see it whizzing by and they would swear there was no driver.

~George Burns

Be sure to wear a good cologne, a nice aftershave lotion, and a strong underarm deodorant. And it might be a good idea to wear some clothes, too.

~George Burns

I use the cigar for timing purposes. If I tell a joke, I smoke as long as they laugh and when they stop laughing I take the cigar out of my mouth and start my next joke.

~George Burns

I get a standing ovation just standing

~George Burns

Critics are eunuchs at a gang bang.

~George Burns

It's no surprise that things are so screwed up: everyone that knows how to run a government is either driving taxicabs or cutting hair.

~George Burns

Someone who makes you laugh is a comedian. Someone who makes you think and then laugh is a humorist.

~George Burns

As long as you're working, you stay young.

~George Burns

I don't care what you do for a living. If you love it, you are a success.

~George Burns

Everything that goes up must come down. But there comes a time when not everything that's down can come up.

~George Burns

My best advice: Fall in love with what you do for a living.

~George Burns

People are always asking me when I'm going to retire. Why should I? I've got it two ways - I'm still making movies, and I'm a senior citizen, so I can see myself at half price.

~George Burns

I find you have to take each day as it comes and be thankful for who's left and whatever you can still do.

~George Burns

A married couple that plays cards together is just a fight that hasn't started yet.

~George Burns

Be quick to learn and wise to know.

~George Burns

It's hard for me to get used to these changing times. I can remember

when the air was clean and sex was dirty.

~George Burns

Take care not to wear stripes that are out of sync with your wrinkles.

~George Burns

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There are many ways to die in bed, but the best way is not alone.

~George Burns

In show business the key word is honesty. Once you've learned to fake that, the rest is easy.

~George Burns

She didn't need to go to acting school to learn that the essence of acting is to act like you're not acting.

~George Burns

At home we ate fish every Friday, as Catholics were then supposed to do. Being Jewish, I compromised. I wore a hat when I ate fish, out of respect for my own religion and the fish's family.

~George Burns

What actresses do today when they appear on the screen is what they did once upon a time for getting to appear on the screen.

~George Burns

When Jack Benny has a party, you not only bring your own scotch, you bring your own rocks.

~George Burns

I don't believe in dying. It's been done. I'm working on a new exit.

Besides, I can't die now - I'm booked.

~George Burns

Define your business goals clearly so that others can see them as you do.

~George Burns

When we played the back end of a horse we always knew that if we worked hard and did a good job we could become the front end.

~George Burns

Bridge is a game that separates the men from the boys. It also separates husbands and wives.

~George Burns

When I die I intend to take my music with me. I don't know what's out there, but I want to make sure it's in my key.

~George Burns

When I'm in front of an audience, all that love and vitality sweeps over me and I forget my age.

~George Burns

Just because you're old that doesn't mean you're more forgetful. The same people whose names I can't remember now I couldn't remember fifty years ago. . .

~George Burns

At my age flowers scare me.

~George Burns

How can I die? I'm booked.

~George Burns

If it's a good script I'll do it. And if it's a bad script, and they pay me enough, I'll do it.

~George Burns

There are two kinds of cruises - pleasure and with children.

~George Burns

Dress simply. If you wear a dinner jacket, don't wear anything else on it ... like lunch or dinner.

~George Burns

I drink coffee with my right hand, and I smoke with my left. But I talk with both hands.

~George Burns

People are always asking me how much I'm worth. Well, all I can say is, I've got enough money to last me the rest of my life. As long as I die in the next 20 minutes.

~George Burns

From Paris we took the Orient Express to Vienna. I must say I was terribly disappointed; nobody was murdered on the train.

~George Burns

I smoke ten to fifteen cigars a day. At my age I have to hold on to something.

~George Burns

If I paid ten dollars for a cigar, first I'd make love to it, then I'd smoke it.

~George Burns

Much later in life, though, Gracie made a major contribution to the opera world. She stayed out of it.

~George Burns

I would read Playboy more often, but my glasses keep steaming up.

~George Burns

A young mind in a healthy body is a wonderful thing. Especially for an old man with an open night.

~George Burns

I was always taught to respect my elders and I've now reached the age when I don't have anybody to respect.

~George Burns

Everyday happiness means you can't wait to come home, because the soup is hot.

~George Burns

Say Goodnight Gracie.

~George Burns

I would go out with women my age, but there are no women my age.

~George Burns

I like women to be attracted to me. See, when you get 60 years old, and they know you're 60, the only women you can get are 55-year-old women, and I like younger women.

~George Burns

It's better to be happy doing something you love, even if you don't find success right away.

~George Burns

Being an actor is easy, just picture someone in a room and you outside waiting for your cue to go in. Elliot Gould's been trying that for forty years.

~George Burns

I should have been a country-western singer. After all, I'm older than most western countries.

~George Burns

Nice to be here? At my age it's nice to be anywhere.

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