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## **Your Mother's Not a Virgin!**

*The Bumpy Life and Times of the Canadian Dropout  
Who Changed the Face of American TV*

Author: Comedian and Creator of TVs 'Real People' John Barbour

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### ***A Fascinating Memoir of an Entertainment Legend and Emmy-Award Winning Godfather of Reality TV***

New York, NY—A high school dropout at 15 and deported from the US to Canada at 17, readers will discover the multi-faceted John Barbour, known as the Godfather of Reality TV for his role as creator, producer, co-host and writer of the trendsetting hit Real People in his memoir, Your Mother's Not a Virgin! The Bumpy Life and Times of the Canadian Dropout Who Changed the Face of American TV.

Barbour won the first of his five Emmys as the original host of AM LA in 1970, where he interviewed controversial anti-war guests like Mohammed Ali, Cesar Chaves and Jane Fonda. He was the first in America to do film reviews on the news, winning three more consecutive Emmys as KNBC's Critic-at-Large. He spent ten years as Los Angeles Magazine's most widely read and quoted critic, and early in his career, he made stand-up comedy appearances on The Dean Martin Show, The Tonight Show and others.

Having been forced to defend himself as a young child raised in an abusive home with an alcoholic mother, Barbour has never been one to shy away from argument and justice with those in the media, as well as the government. In 1992, he wrote and directed the award-winning The Garrison Tapes, which director Oliver Stone heralded as "the perfect companion piece to my movie, JFK. In 2017, Barbour wrote and directed part two: The American Media and the Second Assassination of President John F. Kennedy, applauded as "the definitive film on JFK and the rise of Fake News."

Entertaining, witty, as well as inspiring, Your Mother's Not a Virgin! will keep readers turning the pages as they learn about the numerous celebrities that have crossed Barbour's path, including Lenny Bruce, Johnny Carson, Frank Sinatra and numerous more. Photos included.

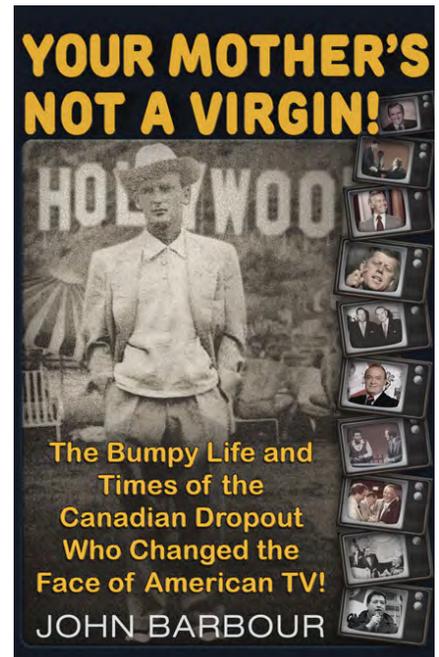
John Barbour is married to singer/dancer Sarita and father of Christopher Barbour, co-executive producer of Criminal Minds. You may find out more about Barbour here: <http://www.johnbarboursworld.com>

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**Excerpt from page 452:** When attempting to interview New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison on his JFK investigation:

**BARBOUR:** *If you do the show, I'll interview you for about half an hour, then we'll open the phones. I guarantee you the lines will be flooded. And your book will sell out as it deserves to.*

**GARRISON:** *Well, young man, I'd be happy to do it, but—*

**BARBOUR:** *Oh, thank you. Thank you. It'll be fantastic!*

**GARRISON:** *What will be fantastic is if you get away with it. But, again, I'd be happy to do it. Do you know that according to the Harris polls, 81 percent of Americans believe that Oswald either didn't do it or there was a conspiracy, but only 23 percent want a new commission to investigate it? What does that tell you?*

**BARBOUR:** *Mr. Garrison, it tells me that I know what my mother and father did in the bedroom, or the car, or in an alley, but don't ever tell me my mother's not a virgin.*



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