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FRED DRYER

TV Personality, Actor, Former
NFL Defensive End & Radio
Host



BIOGRAPHY

John Frederick Dryer is an American actor, radio host, screenwriter and former professional football player. He was a defensive end in the National Football League (NFL) for 13 years, participating in 176 games starting in 1969 until his retirement in 1981. He recorded 103 career sacks with the New York Giants and Los Angeles Rams. He is the only NFL player to score two safeties in one game. Following his retirement from football, Dryer had a successful career as a film and television actor, notably starring in the series *Hunter*, with his height of 6 ft 6 inches and physique proving useful for action roles. Second-team All-Pro (1974), Pro Bowl in 1975. NFL sacks leader 1974, First-team Little All-American 1968. He appeared on *CHiPs* as Lt. John LeGarre in the Season 5 episode *Force Seven*, a secret LAPD unit implemented for special situations. Dryer's best-known acting role came in the 1980s television crime drama *Hunter*, in which he co-starred with Stephanie Kramer, followed by Darlaine Fluegel, then Lauren Lane. Dryer also starred in the action-thriller movie *Death Before Dishonor* as well as Mike Land in the TV series *Land's End*.