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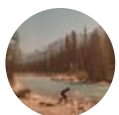


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Superman's First Live-Action Lois Lane, Noel Neill, Dies At Age 95

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The star of *The Adventures of Superman* and the screen's first live-action Lois Lane, Noel Neill, has passed away at the age of 95. According to reports, Neill

died following a long battle with an undisclosed illness in her home in Tuscan, Arizona.



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Noel Neill with actor George Reeves in 1957 via Facebook

The news spread throughout fan networks after her close friend and biographer, Jim Nolt, posted a tribute to the Hollywood star on his [Facebook page](#).



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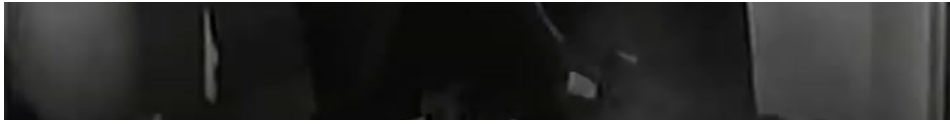
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Noel Neill with actor George Reeves in 1957 via Facebook

Born in 1920, Neill began her career modeling as a teen — her pin-up reportedly being second only to Betty Grable in terms of popularity with American WWII servicemen — until being scooped up by Hollywood, scoring a picture deal with Paramount in the 1940s. After starring in a number of productions, it wasn't until 1948 that she found stardom as Lois Lane alongside "film's first Superman," Kirk Alyn.





Jim Nolt writes in his post:

Her work in the iconic 1950s television series, 'The Adventures of Superman' with the late George Reeves, however, best defined and cemented her legacy as "the intrepid reporter." After years of playing bit parts in bad films and great roles in forgotten films, she finally found her niche. As a teenager she knew all about the newspaper business from her father and she had also actually written for Women's Wear Daily in the late 1930s, so it was a role

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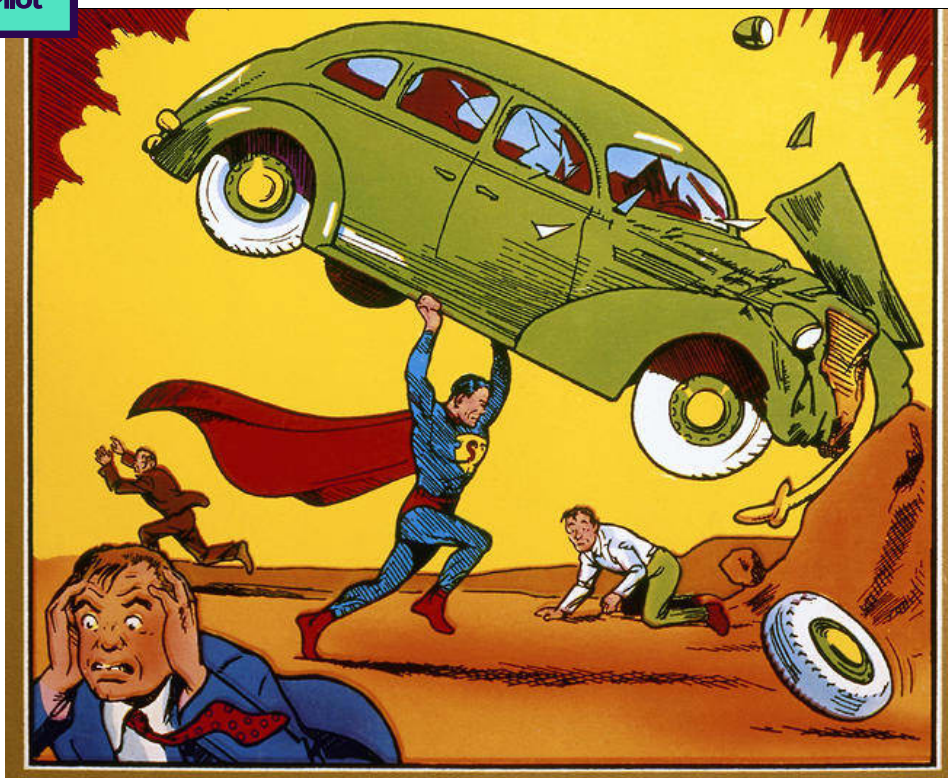
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Fortuitously, Neill graduated from high school in 1938, the same year Superman first appeared in comics.

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Arguably the most prolific actor in the Superman science fiction genre, Noel would also go on to work with Christopher Reeve in the 1978 film 'Superman', in the 1980s in the 'Superboy' series with Gerard Christopher, the 2004 Jerry Seinfeld webisode 'Hindsight is 20/20'; and finally, in Brandon Routh's 2006 feature film 'Superman Returns.'

Leaving an incredible legacy behind her, Noel Neill's IMDb page boasts countless screen credits to her name, the last of which is currently in post-production — *Surge of Power: Revenge of the Sequel* — in which she reprised her role as Aunt Lois from the 2004 *Surge of Power*.

Pay your respects to Noel Neill in the comments below.