

## Patricia Neal



Patricia Neal was an American actress of stage and screen. She is well known for, among other roles, playing World War II widow Helen Benson in *The Day the Earth Stood Still* (1951), radio journalist Marcia Jeffries in *A Face in the Crowd* (1957), wealthy matron Emily Eustace Failenson in *Breakfast at Tiffany's* (1961), and the worn-out housekeeper Alma Brown in *Hud* (1963) (for which she won the Academy Award for Best Actress). She also

featured as the matriarch in the television film *The Homecoming: A Christmas Story* (1971); her role as Olivia Walton was re-cast for the series it inspired, *The Waltons*. A major star of the 1950s and 1960s, she was the recipient of an Academy Award, a Golden Globe Award, a Tony Award, and two British Academy Film Awards, and was nominated for three Primetime Emmy Awards.s