

Hugh O'Brian's wedding 'to die for'



Hugh, left, with new wife Virginia Barber, center, and close pal Debbie Reynolds

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out at Los Angeles' Forest Lawn Memorial Park to witness the happy occasion. Close pal Debbie Reynolds was on hand to serenade the newly hitched partners.

"Hugh is such an incredible and unusual man," a friend told *The ENQUIRER*. "What a wacky idea for them to get married in a cemetery - only he would think of that!"

In the 1950s, tall, rugged Hugh became one of Hollywood's most popular beefcake actors, and starred for six years in the TV

series "The Life and Legend of Wyatt Earp." In 1992, he was inducted into the Hall of Great Western Performers of the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum.

Bright and industrious, he went on to become a successful businessman, and for close to five decades, he's worked tirelessly on his foundation, the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership. Its goal is to empower students to achieve their highest potential and build a better world.

"Hugh has worked so hard all his life - and he was certainly in no rush to tie the knot!" kidded his friend.

Says straight-shooting O'Brian: "This is my first, and most definitely, my last trip down the aisle."

Forest Lawn cemetery, left, where the wedding was held. At right, O'Brian as Wyatt Earp

TILL death do us part! Legendary western star Hugh O'Brian has finally gotten hitched for the first time - at age 81.

Of cowboys like to die with their boots on, and Hugh underscored the tradition when he walked down the aisle - in a cemetery!

The lucky bride is his longtime girlfriend Virginia Barber, 54, a schoolteacher who's been in Hugh's corral for 18 years.

"Leave it to Hugh and Barbara to come up with the nuttiest nuptials in Hollywood history," a wedding guest told *The ENQUIRER*.

"It's certainly one wedding I'll never forget!"

On June 25, about 300 guests turned

Wyatt Earp, 81, ties the knot in a cemetery!

