

# ELLEN'S AGONY



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**E**LLEN DEGENERES' former lesbian lover Anne Heche is set to marry a handsome young hunk — and Ellen is heartbroken, say sources.

Just eight months after dumping the sitcom comic and asking herself how she could have been so wrong about being gay, Heche is planning to tie the knot with cameraman Coley Laffoon.

"Ellen hit the roof screaming, 'This can't be real. I should have been the first to hear about it,'" a source confides.

"Ellen is devastated," adds another Hollywood insider. "It means she's lost Anne forever. To make matters worse, Ellen just broke up with her latest girlfriend and news of Anne's impending wedding is making her feel even more alone."

During their years together, Ellen, 43, and 32-year-old Anne were among the most celebrated gay couples in Tinseltown. At one time, they even planned to marry in Vermont, a state that has legalized same-sex unions.

The couple openly displayed their affection for each other at high-profile functions, including their first appearance at the White House in 1997, where they

smooched and got personal attention from President Clinton.

Friends were stunned when they split. The pair issued a joint statement that read, "It's an amicable parting and we greatly value the three-and-a-half years we spent together."

But Ellen was shattered.

Ironically, Anne met Laffoon, 27, when he was shooting a documentary about Ellen while she was still her lover.

Later, as GLOBE reported, the blond pixie told pals she couldn't believe she had been taken in for so long by the lesbian lifestyle.

Ellen rebounded briefly with actress Alexandra Hedison of the Fox TV series *L.A. Firefighters*, and Anne's red-hot romance with Laffoon steamrolled toward marriage.

Now, the sitcom star is laying low, still in agony from her bust-up with Anne, which she described as "the worst, most awful event in my life."

"Ellen is out there looking for love," says an insider, "but nothing seems to last."

"She's shocked and saddened that Anne found someone so quickly whom she believes she can spend the rest of her life with."

— ROBIN MIZRAHI

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