

DAUGHTER OF BOB HOPE'S MISTRESS BREAKS OUT FOR THE FIRST TIME

BOB HOPE was married to his wife Dolores for 65 years - but had a secret mistress for at least half that time.

She was 58 years old and a former Miss World when he met 18-year-old beauty contestant Rosemarie Frankland. After she won the title, Hope whisked the beauty to entertain U.S. troops in Europe, kicking off a relationship that lasted three decades.

Now, Frankland's daughter, Jessica Entner, is speaking publicly for the first time.



Rosemarie Frankland was a former Miss World (inset)

"Bob Hope was very, very good to my mother and her romance with him was a great and wonderful adventure," Entner tells GLOBE in an exclusive interview. "She



was just a small-town girl from Wales and he was a father figure who took her under his wing."

Frankland soon moved to Los Angeles and was befriended by Dolores, who even encouraged Hope to give her a part in his 1964 film, *I'll Take Sweden*.

"Dolores thought Rosemarie was a sweet girl and hired her as a personal assistant," a close friend of Frankland tells GLOBE.

"She eventually figured it out and fired her, but Rosemarie and Bob continued to be lovers."

Hope helped support Frankland, especially after her 12-year marriage to Warren Entner, Jessica's dad, ended in divorce in 1982.

"After she and Warren split, Rosemarie never really worked," says

the friend. "She had a nice condominium with lots of expensive furniture and antiques.

If someone asked about it, she'd just say, 'I have a friend who helps me.' But everybody knew who it was. There were pictures of her and Bob all over the house."

And the good times rolled until Hope started getting senile.

"The last time she saw Bob, he was 88 and didn't recognize her," the friend reveals. "He just looked at her blankly and said, 'Do I know you?' Rosemarie had a hard time after that."

Plagued by cancer, loneliness and depression, Frankland, 57, committed suicide by overdosing on sleeping pills in 2000.

At the time, Ward Grant, Hope's publicist, told GLOBE, "The Hope family gives its prayers and sympathies to Rosemarie's loved ones."

Adds Jessica, "Bob treated my mother very well. I don't think his infidelities make him a bad man."

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