

BROOKE SHIELDS STALKED BY GUN TOTING SICKO!

Maniac has been after her for years

- COPS SAY

"BROOKE knows I'm innocent - she's planning on coming down here to straighten all this out once and for all. I've loved her for the last 25 years and NOTHING can keep us apart!"

Those are the blood-chilling words from psycho-stalker Mark Ronald Bailey who has been tracking the Suddenly Susan siren Brooke Shields for years.

Last month, 15 years after he was first arrested for stalking the sexy star, Bailey was busted carrying a loaded gun outside his L.A. hotel near the Warner Bros. Studio where Brooke tapes her popular sitcom.

Incredibly, the Texas native tells GLOBE in an exclusive interview that it's all a big misunderstanding - and he believes Brooke will rescue him from prison and they'll live happily ever after.

"We just need to meet face to face and figure out our relationship," insists the 41-year-old, who has shown symptoms of paranoid schizophrenia. "I'll go wherever she wants me to go and I'll do anything she wants me to do - she just needs to tell me where I stand right now."

This reporter came face to face with the deranged sicko in booth No. 9 at the L.A. County Jail on Jan. 22. We talked by phone as he sat on the opposite side of a thick window. His eyes darted back and forth as he tugged at the collar of his orange prison-issue jumpsuit.

The skinny 6-footer with dirty blond hair and glasses squirmed in his chair as he began his delusional ramblings:

"It's so hard to figure Brooke out sometimes," he said, nervously tapping his fingers on the counter. "Even when she married Andre Agassi, I wasn't bothered because it didn't change things between us. I've loved her since we first met when she was only 12 years old. Then we started dating in Manhattan while I was a business student at New York University. I loved going to her book signings and even started sending her love letters about how much she meant to me."

The truth is Bailey first began haunting Brooke in 1985 when he drove a stolen truck from Texas to Haworth, N.J., to be close to

her while she was attending Princeton University.

Shortly after quitting his accounting job in Houston, Bailey sent Brooke a flood of love letters and nude pictures of himself. Her 18-month nightmare ended when he was arrested for breaking a window at her home. He was released from Bergen County Jail on five years probation.

But he was busted again in 1987 for moving to New York City to be near her and claiming to be her husband - a violation of his probation.

As he talked, he gave me the creeps and, sensing my disbelief, he jumped up in anger baring his ugly yellow teeth while threatening to end our interview.

But then, after a few moments, he calmed down and resumed.

"Last summer, I decided that if we're meant to be together, I need to move out to L.A.," he said matter-of-factly. "I just love it here. Everyone in Hollywood already

knew about us by the time I got there - but it's been hard to keep the relationship going.

"Brooke's been too busy and we've only been able to see each other a few times since I arrived."

In reality, Brooke probably did not realize that Bailey was in L.A. last October and was once again writing her love letters, say cops.

Sources say Bailey lived in room 1105 at the Alexandria Hotel. He was finally nabbed carrying a loaded gun on Jan. 12 and was charged with stalking and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Bail has been set at \$500,000.

Now, Brooke's pals say she's hoping with all her heart that he'll remain behind bars for good!

"Brooke is terrified that he came back into her life," reveals a pal. "She's taking every precaution to make sure he doesn't get too close."

Chillingly, Brooke may not have heard the last of Bailey's sick obsession. "I know it will all work out in the end," Bailey declared just before jumping up, yelling that he wouldn't talk to anyone but the actress and storming out of the interview room. "I've loved Brooke for so long and will never stop loving her."

- ROBIN MIZRAHI

