

GLORIOUS CAREER: (From left) Tough guy James Coburn starred as a gunslinger in 1960's The Magnificent Seven, played a secret agent in the 1966 ok Our Man Flint, then was an Irish explosives expert in 1971's Fistful of Dynamite. He won the Best Supporting Actor Oscar for Affliction in 1998

JAMES COBURN DIED N LOVING WIFE'S ARMS

DVIE hell-raiser James burn received a heavenly ad-off from a pair of gels – he died as his and wife Paula held him alle being serenaded by music of late jazz great the Holiday.

the lanky actor was led by a heart attack at 74 in his Beverly Hills insion Nov. 18. He had be children, Lisa, 45, and nes, 41.

My dad was a very fuled, happy and loved man and he passed away in t vein," Lisa tells GLOBE an exclusive interview. "He was home relaxing with my stepmother Paula and they were listening to Billie Holiday singing Fine and Mellow.

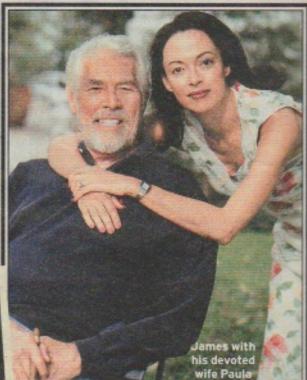
"He had just popped open a ginger beer when his heart suddenly gave out and he died almost instantly - in Paula's loving arms."

Although Coburn battled agonizing arthritis that left his left hand gnarled, he continued acting to the end, appearing recently in The Man From the Elysian Fields and the not-yet-released American Gun. He won his only Oscar in 1998

for the movie Affliction, boasting that after more than 150 screen appearances over 40 years, "I finally got one right."

Coburn was married for 21 years to first wife Beverly Kelley, who he divorced in 1980. He tied the knot with newsgal Paula Murad, 47, in 1993 and she helped to save his life, says Lisa.

"Paula gave him joy and fun during a low period. He was sick and unable to work. Thanks to her love and strength,



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he pulled his life back together."

Lisa, a Los Angeles Web designer, takes joy in the fact that her dad and son Michael, 14, grew close. "They would watch football games and he'd tell my son stories, she says.

"My dad was married to a woman he loved dearly and he had loving relationships with his children and two grandchildren. He truly had everything a man could want." - ROBIN MIZRAHI