



as ever, which he died of vascular disease on July 13.

And this was when he was on his deathbed!" But behind the laughter was a broken heart, said friends, and Red

in 2000. "He could never get his mind around how abruptly she left him

"While we'll all miss him to I'd like to think they're together again now."

## Angry Mickey Rourke **CUT OFF** his own finger

**T**OUGH guy Mickey Rourke has given the finger to the entire world -

actually cutting off his pinkie! The two-fisted actor has a history of beating on others, but for the first time he's admitted to a bizarre act of self-mutilation.

"I cut my little finger off because I thought I didn't want it," the 52-year-old "9 1/2 Weeks" star revealed in an interview.

By **ROBIN MIZRAHI**

"I was angry about something, so I decided I didn't need the end of the little finger on my left hand.

"I didn't cut it off completely. It was still hanging on by a tendon and a friend carefully carried the end of it as we went to a hospital.

"It took the surgeon eight hours to sew it back on. I still can't bend it properly."

The gifted misfit - who

starred in "Barfly" and "The Pope of Greenwich Village" has been arrested three times and tried to channel his aggressions into a boxing career.

He reclaimed his place in Hollywood with last year's hit cult movie "Sin City" he finally appears to be conquering his demons, a friend told The ENQUIRER.

"He seems to be back on track - and hopefully won't be cutting off any more fingers."