

Sisters JOAN FONTAINE and OLIVIA de HAVILLAND...

HOLLYWOOD FEUD THAT ONLY DEATH WILL HEAL



Movie stars Joan (left) and Olivia



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SCREEN legend siblings Joan Fontaine and Olivia de Havilland haven't spoken to one another since 1950 - and Joan vows never to make up with her older sister.

"Joan lives a very satisfying and fulfilled life and doesn't need a relationship with Olivia," Fontaine's agent and friend Michael Amato tells GLOBE. "They haven't seen each other in years and years, but Joan is living a tranquil life, playing with her dogs and gardening.

"She's had her fame and she still has her fortune. She couldn't be happier. And Joan's not the type to beg anyone for forgiveness. She's perfectly willing to take her problems with Olivia to her grave."

Fontaine herself tells GLOBE, "I am absolutely not trying to make up with Olivia!"

But a source close to the 85-year-old actress says, "I think Joan and her friends are protesting too much. Joan really wants to say goodbye to her only sibling before one of them passes away."

The stars' rivalry began in childhood, egged on by their mother Lillian, whose acting

ambitions were cut short by marriage. She drove her young daughters to compete with each other, hoping "it would make them succeed," explains the source. "Joan will still talk about the time Olivia won her second Oscar (for the 1949 movie *The Heiress*) and she told her, 'Wow, Olivia, we did it!'

"But Olivia replied, in a nasty tone, 'It had NOTHING to do with you! It's all because of me!' From that point on, they never spoke again."

Fontaine, who won one Oscar, for 1941's *Suspicion*, and 87-year-old de Havilland, best known for her role as Melanie in *Gone with the Wind*, were also romantic rivals. Both dated bizarre billionaire Howard Hughes, as well as maverick movie director John Huston.

And even if the movie icons didn't live thousands of miles apart - Fontaine in Carmel, Calif., and de Havilland in Paris - pal Amato is convinced nothing could bring the sisters together.

He says, "I don't believe they will ever make up."

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