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# ROBERT BLAKE TRIED TO STRANGLE WIFE DURING KINKY ROMP!



JAILED actor Robert Blake nearly strangled the wife he's now accused of murdering, during an out-of-control sex romp, charges a shocking new book.

Bonny Lee Bakley later told pals the terrifying moment occurred while they were having rough sex, which the former Baretta star craved, according to the blockbuster new book, *Blood Cold* (Onyx books).

"He grabbed her by the hair and ripped it out by the roots," Bonny's friend Judy Howell says in the book. "Robert strangled her so hard while they were making love that she nearly passed out. He went too far in his kinkiness."

While the incident "scared her," Howell says Bakley continued seeing Blake because she was "attracted" to the 5-foot-4 actor.

The strangling episode is only one of the explosive revelations made by authors Dennis McDougal and Mary Murphy, who rip the lid off the bizarre, violent relationship between Blake and Bakley. The 69-year-old actor is now

in L.A. County Jail awaiting a November trial on charges he shot his wife to death while she sat in his parked car on an L.A. street May 4, 2001.

Bakley, 44, ran a sex scam in singles magazines, conning lonely old men out of money, and had been married 10 times. She told pals she and Blake first had sex the night they met,

decided he wanted to give the baby to his childless grown daughter Delinah, a psychotherapist. The book says he feared Rose would grow up exposed to the sex business if she were raised by her mother.

So Blake hired two men to pose as cops, the authors write. When Bakley flew into L.A. with Rose from Arkansas, where they were living, the men "arrested" her for violating probation on fraud charges. They put Bakley back on a plane for Arkansas and Blake gave Rose to his grown daughter, says the book.

Bakley later returned to L.A. and filed kidnapping charges against Blake. The actor only married her Nov. 19, 2000, after she threatened to sue him for \$7,500 a month in child support.

But when he learned that Bakley was planning to take Rose away from Delinah, who was still raising the child, he went berserk and killed his wife, charges the book.

"Bonny and I planned a kidnapping," says Howell. "I think that's what got her shot." **- ROBIN MIZRAHI**

## 'He went too far'



Robert Blake's hair has turned white in jail

in the rear of his SUV.

The authors claim that at first, Blake wanted pregnant Bakley to sell their baby, telling her he knew where they could get \$100,000 for the tot.

But after little Rose was born June 2, 2000, the actor



Blake married Bonny Lee Bakley after she threatened to sue for child support

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