

## FOR JEFF HUNTER, DIVORCE CHANGED EVERYTHING



His friends felt sorry for Jeff Hunter after he was first divorced by Barbara Rush. But Jeff adjusted himself fairly quickly to his new status, and by his own admittance, soon "had a ball going out and dating a lot of beautiful girls."

Yet after a while, he found it wasn't the same as dating before he ever had been married. He had grown used to a different kind of life: he no longer enjoyed going to nightclubs, parties, luaus and movies night after night; he saw himself hoping to

find a girl in whom he would be interested for more than a few casual dates, who would let him settle down.

But he didn't find her.



Wed to Dusty Bartlett and decorating nursery for first baby, Jeff's also reaping rewards for *Last Hurrah*, *In Love And War*.

All the girls he dated had something to offer. Some were pretty, others intelligent, a few good at sports, still others as

interested in his work as he was. But none combined everything he wanted in a woman. "It looks like I'll never find her," he lamented one day.

And when he did—he felt even more disillusioned, because he thought he didn't stand a chance with her.

It was close to four years ago that Jeff made *A Kiss Before Dying* in Tucson, Arizona.

One Sunday afternoon a friend invited him to a party at a local country club. That's where he met the pretty model. But before he had a chance to ask her for a date, his friend warned that she was going steady with someone else, and to forget about her.

For three miserably lonely days he tried to do just that—without success.

On the fourth day he told himself, "Who is he to tell me I don't have a chance? The least I can do is try!"

The girl he met in Tucson was Dusty Bartlett. As all his fans know—she's now Mrs. Jeff Hunter.

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