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Despite some of the more bizarre aspects of her life, Anna Nicole Smith was likable. She was a little girl lost who somehow got found in a very beneficial way. And then lost again.

Anna Nicole was bigger-than-life, with a damn-you-all-it's-my-business way of conducting her affairs. She had reinvented herself, creating a fabulously glamorous and beautiful persona out of a not-so-spectacular country girl.

Famous because she was famous, she'd been a very successful model, but it was her personal life and affiliations that made her notorious. In some ways reminiscent of the socialite of days gone by, Anna Nicole embodied a special classification of "celebrity."

*Final 24*, the series for which [Anna Nicole Smith – Her Final Hours](#) was produced, incorporates archival material and re-enactments, examining birth-to-death biographies, with the emphasis on death. In cases where death was due to a violent event or dramatic accident the last 24 hours may be just another day in the life, until the terminating event occurs.

During Anna Nicole Smith's last 24 hours she was ill, and didn't leave her hotel room. She was suffering from an "intestinal infection"

and blood poisoning which was the result of abscesses caused by frequent, self-administered injections of human growth hormone used to help maintain her looks. She had fallen in the bathtub and was weak with illness. She could not even walk to the bathroom by herself; she lacked the strength and needed assistance to get there. Her autopsy revealed the presence of nine prescription drugs at therapeutic levels. Certainly the combination of illness and medication led to cardiac arrest.

Instead of a normal day in the life of a celebrity (that happens to end in death), the last day of Anna



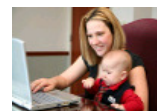
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