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Carol,

From what I could find on the Web, there have been no arrests in the murder of Robert Blake's wife. He married her because she'd given birth to his child. There are other people she conned who might want to kill her, but none with a motive as strong as Blake's. The following excerpt is interesting when you remember who played Blake in the Law and Order show:

It was not, by any standard, a typical marriage. While the couple tried to get to know each other, Bakley stayed in a bungalow out back; over time, friends say, they grew more and more miserable. Blake's lawyer says she continued to run petty schemes, including a plot to nab the actor Gary Busey. When Blake discovered some of her activities, his assistant has said, he broke down in tears, saying, "Sixty-five years I'm in this business. And she did this to me."

"Ripped from the Headlines", indeed.

Steve