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## **OLYMPIAN TURNED INTO HOOKER IS A LIFE SPENT RUNNING FROM MADNESS**

### **SUSY FAVOR HAMILTON & BIPOLAR DISORDER**

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**USPA NEWS** - Suzy Favor Hamilton became a three-time Olympian in women's middle distance running. Later, the married mother became a high-priced Las Vegas escort. She just wrote a book 'Fast Girl : A Life spent Running from Madness'...

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The 47-year-old mom reveals she was drawn to the world's oldest profession after giving her husband, Mark Hamilton, an unusual 20th wedding anniversary gift. They went to Vegas, and hired an escort, a hooker named 'pearl' who pleased both of them. On December 20, 2012, The Smoking Gun broke her double life open 'US Olympian Secret life as Las Vegas Escort' read the headline.

'The next morning, my darkest thoughts were on a loop : I had shamed my parents, my husband, our family. I would be better if I were dead ;' she told People. This time forces her to seek help. She started seeing medical health experts and taking medication for bipolar disorder.

She said she first started having suicidal thoughts in 2005, just after the birth of her daughter. 'Driving home (one night), I prepared to drive my car into a tree. I accelerated faster. But I was getting closer to home where my sweet baby girl was waiting. You have to stay alive for her.'

Her husband stuck by her all the way 'We have to work at a marriage, and like any couple, we have our ups and downs... But we've definitely gotten to a stronger place. We're doing 100 times better now.'

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