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## Snapshot, 1993: Ladies and Gentlemen, The Playmate of the Year

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*It's 1993, and just a year earlier, yet-to-be-discovered Vickie Smith posed for provocative men's lifestyle magazine 'Playboy'. Fast forward to today, and Miss Smith, now known as Anna Nicole, is Playmate of the Year — and the hottest new face in the entertainment business...*

Dressed in a low-backed sequined dress — and the blond barrel roll curls and red lipstick that Marilyn Monroe made famous — Anna Nicole Smith embraces her new-found fame and smiles for the cameras before she steps out of her limousine, which, might we add, is fully decked out with a mobile phone, crystal glasses, and a rather skimpy-looking mini-bar. This is probably one of the tamest photos of the bodacious beauty, as, unfortunately, the fame will eventually go to Miss Smith's head — resulting in some pretty wacky and weird television appearances, odd clothing choices, drawn-out court ordeals, and ultimately, her tragic death. But today, she is simply the beautiful blonde whose dreams of stardom finally came true...

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