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"We've known about their troubles for a while, but it's always a very difficult thing in life when these things happen," says Michelle's father, Larry Williams.

## Why Heath and Michelle split

**H**eath Ledger and Michelle Williams have decided to call it quits. The couple, who met on the set of *Brokeback Mountain*, were together for three years and have a daughter, 23-month-old Matilda Rose. "They have been fighting for a long time and began considering a separation last year," a family insider tells *In Touch*. "They were both really young when they got together and it moved pretty fast."

Heath, 28, had previously dated Naomi Watts, 38, and Heather Graham, 37. While the Australian actor and Michelle, 27, have yet to announce who'll get primary custody of their daughter, the insider adds that they are "both loving parents." Heath once said that being a dad was one of the greatest joys in life. "It's definitely my greatest achievement," he said.

## Steve-O dumped by his *LA Ink* girlfriend

*Jackass* star Steve-O is known for being adventurous, but it seems his crazy lifestyle was too much for his girlfriend, tattoo artist Katherine Von Drachenberg, to handle. The 33-year-old has been arrested three times, once for smuggling drugs into Sweden in 2003. He has also been seen in public with a bag of marijuana in November 2005, and again last July. "Kat had given him so many chances to stop using drugs and she couldn't deal with it anymore," says an insider.

Kat, 25, stars in the reality show *LA Ink* and started dating Steve-O after divorcing Oliver Peck in 2007, after four years of marriage. Steve-O recently posted on his MySpace page, "She dumped me already! I'm not allowed in her life, and that makes me really sad."



Steve-O appeared on Kat's show.