

Chapter 55

Maxine

I was Walking in a meadow full of flowers running my hand along the top of them feeling how soft they were I tilted my face up towards the sky feeling the warmth of the sun spread across my face, I felt peaceful as I took in the rays along with the smell of flowers I didn't feel the worry of my life choices or the wrong doings that happen, Them seemed to wash away with the calmness of the meadow,

Looking out across I could see a pond I walked to the edge looking down I seen my reflection in the water,

My long red hair blew with the soft wind my green eyes shined standing out against my pale skin.

Glancing up across the water it was so quiet here I didn't want to leave no one could hurt me here I didn't have to be afraid,

I felt the wind pick up a bit turning my face towards it the feeling it against my skin Listening to the movement of the flowers dancing with the wind, when I heard a faint voice it carried along with the wind, "Maxine" it was soft gentle sounding I looked around trying to see where it came from but I saw no one,

"Maxine my child." There it was again I quickly turned looking all around I was starting to feel uneasy,

With one last turn my eyes landed on a women standing on the other side of the pond. I blinked a few times but she stands there, "Maxine." I see her lips move saying my name.

""Come to me." She calls out into the wind

I started to walk my feet moving on their own Accord I kept my eye on the lady she never moved only her head as she watched me walk to her,

Once I reached to stand in front of her, I was able to see her. She was taller than me but she had a long white summer dress on her long brown hair that was wavy came below her waist her blue eyes were crystal clear almost like the sky above she had pale skin much like mine, she looked like me only a few years older like she could have been my sister,

Then it hit me, she was my mother.

"Mom." I whispered afraid to say it louder

She smiled "Yes Maxine it's me," She held her hand out to me "Don't be afraid,"

I placed my hand in hers; warmth ripped through my body she pulled me to her wrapping me in a hug,

"Oh, my sweet daughter how I waited for this day,"

I looked up to her she lifted her hand wiping my cheeks I hadn't realized I was crying, "Is this real? Are you real?"

I asked not sure if it was or not,

"She ran her hand through my hair looking at me like only a mother would to her daughter,

"I'm real within your heart, I'm sorry I can't not stay with you for long our visit is short lived,"

"Our?"

She stepped aside standing next to me she had her arm around my shoulders, standing there in front of us was a dragon a red dragon at that,

"Your father," she says I gasped putting my hand over looking at my father standing there he was big his color was a rich deep red his wings had black out line all the way to the tips his head was large with spikes along his bottom jaw then I noticed his eyes, they were green the same green as mine,

"I don't understand why am I here, why are you guys here, why now do you know what I've been through the horrible family I was left with, the man that hurt me I was sold then kidnapped about raped!"

I stepped out of my mother embrace

I could feel the tears about to fall I was angry I felt mad at them they left me alone
I've had more hurtles to get over in my life than anyone should ever have,

" We are sorry Maxine we never would have hurt you on purpose please listen to us, We know your life has not been easy we have watched you grow up waiting for the day we could have a chance to explain things to you, You are our child we never wanted to leave you but our choice was taken from us the day hunters showed up causing our family to be break into pieces,"

"What happen that day?" I asked her

She let out a sigh then turning walking towards my father he laid down on his belly laying his head down on the ground I watched my mother run her hand along the side of his head she reached down placing a soft kiss to the top of his head,

She turned back to me

" That will have to be a story for another time for we don't have a lot of time left, the purpose for this crossing is to help you understand who you are to guide you into becoming the dragon you need to."

I stepped closer to them "How?" was all I said,

"By helping you let go of your fear,"

She gave my father a pat on his head then walking to me she placed her hands on my shoulders,

"Trust your mate, He will be the one to awaken your dragon he will guide you teach you how to be a dragon he will always protect you, I know he's made some wrong choices he's fighting a battle himself with the pressure of being mated to a red dragon, I'm not condoling what he did was right, But speaking from personal experience the pressure can be over whelming,"

"He left me just like everyone else they all leave me alone," I sob out,

"I know my dear He was afraid he did what he thought was right he's there now he came back to you he needs you as much as you need him, don't be afraid let him in he will spend the rest of his life making it up to you,"

"I don't know how I'm afraid to be with him I'm afraid of the marking I afraid of everything,"

"You need to look pass all of it, it's hard believed me I know it's hard but trust yourself you are strong Maxine look what you have overcome, you need to be with your true mate,"

"I can't," My voice was cracking,

I heard a rustling along with crunching of grass I turned to look where it was coming from, I spotted a dragon on the other side of the pond, wait I know that dragon.

"Dexter" I whispered.

"See even when you feel you can't he appears,"

I kept my eyes on his dragon he stood there looking at me with the same amount of intensity, I could feel something stir in my chest I've felt it before when I was close to him the thought of him leaving me scared me, I was afraid to be alone afraid to be without him, I loved him,

With that thought I felt as if a weight had been lifted off me, I had to tell him I had to forgive him I had to let myself be one with him I never wanted to be away from him ever again, the realization hit me straight in the face,

I looked to my mother, she held the most beautiful smile on her face,

"You know understand but know this once you become one with him it will awaken your other powers, I can't not teach you these this is something you will have to learn on your own, you both with change become stronger together,"

She reached down kissing my forehead she turned walking back to my father who was still laying down, He held his leg out I watched as she climbs up on him, she slides in between his spikes on his back he stood up to his full height,

"Wait!" I held out my hand "Don't go,"

"We will meet again my daughter for now our time is up,"

"No! Please!" I ran to stand in front of them I placed my hand on his leg,

"Stay" I cried out.

My father bent his neck bringing his snout close to my face he let out a small puff blowing my hair back I closed my eyes feeling them tears fallen down,

"Don't leave me," I stepped forward place my hands on his nose leaning my face to his,

He let out a small rumble he nuzzled my face with his snout,

He pulled his head back just a bit I looked up to his eyes,

"We will always be with you it's time for you to go to you mate he's waiting for you trust yourself my daughter for you have strength in you,"

It was my father voice I heard in my head.

I let out a loud sob, I leaned forward kissing his nose, leaning my forehead against him, we stayed like that for a few minutes when he pulled his head back, I let go of him watching him lift his head turning it to look at my mother,

She looked down at me "I love you Maxine, now go and be the dragon you were born to be."

I couldn't say anything my words were stuck in my throat I watched as my parents stepped back away from me my father look to the sky letting out a roar, he sprung off the ground into the air flapping his wings going higher I watched them disappear into the clouds,

I stood there not moving when I heard movement behind me. I looked over my shoulder to see Dexter dragon standing there I turned running the him he lowered his head as I flung myself against it,

"I want to go home."

I lifted myself off him he reached up touching my forehead with his nose as soon as he made contact with me my head fell backwards my eyes closed feeling myself fall against him,