

## Revenge Against My Ex-husband

### Chapter 69 New and Old Lovers Together

After leaving Irene, Margaret went to meet Marie angrily. "I'm so angry. That woman will really be the death of me. She and I have always been on opposing ends. Even now when she's divorced with my son, she still haunts me."

"Have some water and calm down." Marie poured a glass of water for Margaret.

Margaret took a sip of water but she was still fuming when she thought about it. "She didn't want my money, that means she's still thinking of remarrying Edric. Edric, on the other hand, is also blinded by his emotions. She's a married woman with a child, yet he still pines after her. How infuriating."

"She's going against you on purpose. When she couldn't have children, she's too ashamed to come back. Now that she has a child, she came back just to get under your skin. What an evil woman. She knows that Edric has feelings for her, and she's using him to turn you two against each other!" Marie commented worriedly.

"Yes, she really is evil. I can't let her have it her way. I have to find a way to make her leave," Margaret decided.

"Have you come up with anything yet?" Marie asked.

"Not yet." Margaret had a headache. Although she had been saying harsh words about Irene, she had no clue what to do to drive her away. That was why she had come looking for Marie. "Help me think of some ideas on how to deal with her."

"Well, it's quite simple. She's poor now, it should be a piece of cake for you to deal with her! Also, she has a child. We should find a way to use the child against her somehow," Marie suggested.

"Use her child against her? Is this okay?" Margaret parroted in hesitation.

"Why not? We're not really going to hurt her child, we're just going to threaten her with him. It wasn't easy for her to have a child after all. I'm sure she'll give up anything for him. I bet she'll give in to you eventually," Marie reasoned.

"Okay, I'll think about it." Since Margaret was out of ideas, she decided to take her leave and gave Marie's suggestion some thoughts.

At the same time, John reported to Edric, "Mrs. Myers went to see Miss Nelson today. It seems that she's really upset."

"I got it." Edric grasped the pen in his hand. He had expected that this would happen. With Margaret's temper, she would definitely have said some nasty words to Irene. If he wanted to be with Irene, Margaret would be the biggest obstacle. However, he was not afraid.

To him, the biggest issue for now was not Margaret, but Irene. He had to figure out a way for Irene to open up and dissolve her hatred for him. Furthermore, he still had Lily to deal with.

He never thought about getting engaged to Lily. That was all Margaret's doing.

Lily was gentle and kind, but he did not love her. The only feeling he had for Lily was guilt because of the surrogacy. He had told her that he could never forget Irene, and that he would never fall for her. But Lily said that she did not care and was willing to wait until he would accept her.

At that time, Irene had disappeared without a trace. When Margaret realized that he did not want to be with Lily, she went around trying to find a new partner for him. He grew so annoyed that he reluctantly implied to agree to have Lily by his side.

Now that he planned on getting Irene back, he had to end his relationship with Lily properly. Unfortunately, he had already agreed on the engagement date with the Cook family. Otherwise, Lily and he would be nothing but friends. Since the date had been set, he could not just call it off. Steven was influential as he held a very important position in the government, and would not accept any half-hearted excuse.

There was no way he could convince Lily to cancel the engagement, hence he had to think of another way. Lily was the only daughter of Steven and Deborah; they would not allow her to end up in such a pathetic state. At the thought of this, an idea suddenly popped up in Edric's mind.

A couple days later, all the media outlets in San Fetillo reported a scandal between Edric and Rowane Wood, the most popular and beautiful student in the University of San Fetillo. With the outbreak of the scandal, everything between Edric and Rowane was dug up by the media.

Edric had been in a relationship with Rowane for a long time. The media managed to find out that two years ago after a ball held by Rowane's university, they had spent the night together in a hotel.

Later on, Edric even prepared a home for Rowane in an elite residential area known as Lilac Garden. He would then go over once a week to stay at their house. Lilac Garden had a tight security system, therefore their two-year relationship had stayed hidden from everyone.

Until one day during Rowane's birthday, the paparazzi managed to get a picture of her celebrating at the hotel. If it were not for them following her all the way to the hotel, they would not find out that she was Edric's secret lover.

When the scandal was published, it caused a great stir. All the insiders began to comment about it. Edric and Lily had made no progress in the past three years. It turned out that it was because Edric had another girlfriend.

Rowane was beautiful and pure, and most importantly, she was talented. No wonder Edric could not give her up. If Lily was not Steven's daughter, she probably would have no place next to him.

Irene sneered at the news. Of course Edric would return to his old ways of playing around with women, she thought. He must really be addicted to having all those secret adventures. She fully looked forward to Lily's reaction.

Lily was green with envy when she saw the news. She knew Rowane. Previously, when she saw her having dinner with Edric, she was a little jealous of how caring he was to her.

However, she never found anything unusual between them; eventually, she forgot about Rowane. She did not expect Rowane to really be Edric's lover. When she thought about the fact that Edric would rather cheat on her with some other woman than touch her, her rage gushed out of her veins like molten lava at once..

However, she could not confront him; all she could do was hide in her room and cry. Deborah did not believe that Edric would have a mistress. She entered Lily's room and gave her a scolding.

"It's so obvious that this news was Edric's idea. The timing of the scandal is impeccable. He's forcing you to make a choice. He sure is coming up with everything so we'll break off the engagement."

After listening to Deborah, Lily snapped out of her sorrow. It was true that the timing was really coincidental. It seemed like it was indeed Edric's doing.

After careful consideration, Deborah and Lily decided to give no response to the scandal and maintain the engagement. They wanted to see what Edric would do next.

When Margaret saw the news, she was dizzy with anger. The fact that this scandal broke out now showed that Edric was deliberately going against her. She didn't care if he had a lover outside. In fact, it would be better if he could give her a few more grandchildren, no matter who the mother was. But it was so obvious that this scandal was fake.

She had raised Edric herself. Having lived together for so many years, she was very clear about his personality. There was no way he was actually having an affair. It seemed like he was trying to find a way out of his engagement to get back together with Irene. Margaret could not let things go on like this; she had to do something about this immediately.

Irene saw Rowane in person for the first time a week later. The University of San Fetillo was having a celebration, and Jordan was invited as a guest. Jordan had made Irene to tag along with him.

He was a special guest, thus the headmaster came to welcome him personally. When they entered the reception room, Irene realized that Edric was there too.

Irene noticed the sarcastic smirk he had the moment he saw them. She thought he would ignore them, but to her surprise, he stood up and greeted them.

She looked at the ground when she saw Edric and Jordan exchange friendly and enthusiastic greetings. She could never understand what went on in the minds of these businessmen. They obviously disliked each other, yet they could greet each other with smiles.

There were many performances lined up for the celebration. Jordan and Edric were esteemed guests, thus they sat in the front row. Irene sat with them thanks to their privilege.

The University of San Fetillo had never lacked talents. Irene watched all the talent performances with great interest.

After some time, the host announced, "Now, let's welcome Rowane Wood, a senior of University of San Fetillo, to perform the violin!"

Applause rang out and Rowane appeared on the stage in an elegant gown.

Undeniably, she was gorgeous. Her charm and charisma was above that of Lily's.

Jordan leaned over to Irene's ear and chuckled. "Rowane is really a stunner. Edric is so lucky!"

Irene glared at him and said in a low voice, "If you like her, why don't you go after her? With your flirting skills and wealth, perhaps you'll win her heart."

"Although she's beautiful, she's not my type. I prefer girls like you." He grinned at her.

She rolled her eyes. He added in a whisper, "Edric seems to like Rowane a lot right now. He's already brought her to many events as his partner. Do you think this means that he plans to break up with Lily?"

"How would I know?" Irene huffed.

"Isn't he scared that he'll anger Steven? If Steven decides to make things hard for him because of this, won't Edric lose more than he has to gain?" Jordan contemplated.

She snorted. "He didn't need Steven to back him up when he expanded his company until where it is today. What's there to be afraid of?"

"Perhaps he didn't rely on Steven to get to where he is now. But still, why make more enemies, especially political ones? It's not a good thing for him to get on Steven's bad side," Jordan remarked.

"That's his business. Why are you so worried about him?" Irene grew impatient.

To tell the truth, when she saw the news reports claiming Edric and Rowane to be a fitting match, she thought that it was an exaggeration. However, seeing Rowane in real life at this moment, she must admit that the news was not making bold statements after all.

For some reason, she felt really uncomfortable. She remembered that Edric had come to her with an explanation a few days ago, and he sounded so affectionate. Fortunately, she did not believe him since he had hurt her so much in the past. Otherwise...

Looking at Irene and Jordan whispering to each other, Edric felt exceptionally bitter. He held back his jealousy and stared at the stage.

To Irene, he appeared to adore Rowane as it seemed like he was focusing intently on her performance. She started feeling upset too.

At the end of Rowane's performance, someone went onto the stage to offer her flowers. She took the flowers and went down the stage with a smile. She headed in Edric's direction.

She walked over to his side before she handed him the flowers and sat down next to him.

Irene had been wondering why there was an empty seat next to Edric. Now she understood that it was for Rowane.

She scoffed silently. How would Lily feel if she saw this?

As she was deep in thought, Jordan chimed in, "There are reporters taking pictures? Poor Lily will be very sad when she sees the news tomorrow!"

"Really? Good for her!" She giggled nonchalantly. Lily used to be so keen on ruining Edric and her relationship. Now that Rowane had come into the picture, wasn't this karma for Lily?

She laughed gloatingly in secret before she sensed a pair of eyes on her. She looked over and found that it was Rowane.

Rowane grinned at her when she saw Irene noticing. Irene turned her eyes away and ignored Rowane.

Although she was amazed by Rowane's beauty, she did not agree with Rowane's decision to date an engaged man.

She would not be friendly to women who were so shameless.

As expected on the next day, news of Edric and Rowane dominated the headlines. Lily gritted her teeth in rage.

Deborah remained calm. "Don't panic. There's still Margaret. I doubt she would let her own son run around wild like this for much longer."

Deborah was right. Indeed, Margaret would not allow Edric to continue to have his own way. That afternoon, Margaret directed her men to break into the apartment Edric had bought for Rowane. She instructed them to break everything in that house, and Rowane was terribly beaten up.

If Edric had not arrived just in time, she would have been severely injured, to say the least. When Jordan told Irene the incident, she chuckled indifferently again.

She had personally experienced what Margaret was capable of. Back when Edric and she were dating, she had endured so much of Margaret's humiliation and abuse. She could only imagine how badly Margaret had treated Rowane since she was now Edric's new lover.

When Irene thought about the fact that Rowane's delicate face had been hit, she couldn't help feeling a little sorry for her. She wondered if Rowane's face would be covered with bruises.

She was wrong. The next day, someone had invited Jordan out for dinner, and there in the restaurant Irene saw Rowane and Edric again.

Rowane was looking as lovely and gorgeous as usual. Her glossy skin sparkled under the light without a single scar in sight.

Irene was reminded of how she was worried for Rowane the previous night, and found the whole thing incredibly ironic.