

Chapter 971 Crisis Averted

Joseph had suffered injuries during his early in the military. The long time he had spent in service was etched in his skin, giving him a much older air than his actual age.

But despite the stoop of his back, he was as fierce as a bull, screaming that he would avenge his granddaughter.

With his outburst, Kaley knew that she was already halfway to achieving her purpose.

She rejoiced inwardly, but kept up appearances of grief, hastily wiping her tears and squeezing out an obedient smile, as if she had just found Joseph coming in. "Grandpa, I'm fine!"

Her voice came out choked with sobs. She quickly turned her head, pretending to discreetly dry her tears. Then, she poured a cup of tea and handed it to Joseph with a forced smile. "I just wanted to come see you today, Grandpa. The last thing I want is to cause you worry."

Seeing the unshed tears glistening in Kaley's eyes brought out even deeper feelings of pity in Joseph. His granddaughter was so understanding that he couldn't help but feel sorry for her.

"Silly girl. I would worry even more if you didn't tell me about what's troubling you. Who bullied you? I won't let them get away with it!"

Kaley lowered her head, feigning reluctance. Joseph, with his eyes sharpened with vast experience, was quick to notice. "Has someone from our family been giving you a hard time?" he asked sternly.

Recalling what the butler had said about his sons' movements, it dawned on him that only his youngest son was at home, and Vincent had never treated Kaley's mother well.

Angrily, Joseph asked, "Is it Vincent?"

Kaley broke out into sobs, shaking her head as she answered, "Uncle Vincent didn't do anything. It was just..."

Her voice trailed off, as if she was reluctant to continue. However, she said vaguely, "I heard that Uncle Vincent came back to act in a play earlier, so I went to visit the crew. Coincidentally, there was a role that was not yet filled and they were short on actresses, so I helped out by playing the part. It's not really a big deal, but I heard my scenes weren't used in the end. It's perfectly understandable. It was my first time to act, so I must not have done well. I just feel a little regretful about it."

Kaley smiled at Joseph and said, "It's really okay, Grandpa. I am a new actress after all, so my performance must not have been good enough."

Joseph knew that things were not as simple as she explained. If that were the case, she would have no reason to feel so aggrieved to the point of tears.

On top of that, it was a great disrespect to the Wilson family for the crew to reject Kaley's performance.

Instinctively, Joseph was convinced that it had something to do with Vincent. Vincent was the only one who would dare defy his own family. With a cold snort, Joseph said, "That son of mine is getting more and more thoughtless! He's a grown man. Not taking his responsibilities seriously is one thing, but making his niece suffer?"

Kaley's eyes widened in a look of surprise, as if she didn't know how Joseph was able to figure it out. Then, she hinted cautiously, "Grandpa, really, I'm not angry with Uncle Vincent. It

was my own fault for not being capable enough. If I had a better relationship with him and worked harder, maybe the scenes I acted in wouldn't have been a waste."

She handed Joseph a cup of tea and said sincerely, "Just talking with you made me feel much better. Please don't blame Uncle Vincent for this."

Joseph's face darkened even more. Kaley, who was carefully watching his expression from the start, inwardly smiled.

She was certain she had achieved her goal. After saying a few more words of concern to Joseph, she pretended to feel discomfort in her eyes and excused herself, heading upstairs to get some rest.

The moment Kaley was out of the room, Joseph turned to the butler sharply and demanded, "What happened?"

The butler turned around to give some orders. After a while, he reported the information that came from one of his subordinates.

Joseph's face was twisted in anger. "Vincent is being outrageous! I've allowed him to do what he wanted and pursue that damned acting career. I only had one request— that he doesn't cause trouble for the family. And now he does this? He's caught up in gossip with a woman, and our names are getting dragged around because of him!"

Joseph continued his tirade, "There's also that accident with the crew. He's an embarrassment to our family!"

The butler lowered his head, patiently waiting for Joseph to let out all his anger. Then, the butler looked at the documents in his hands and said, "Mr. Wilson, the rumors are fake. Mr. Vincent Wilson has never been in any distasteful entanglements with any woman. This is all probably made up by the woman for her own gain. Besides, the woman named

Loraine is the one who replaced Miss Kaley Wilson for the role."

Joseph frowned, but soon came to a realization about his initial assumptions. He uttered with disappointment. "This is still Vincent's fault. How could he let himself be used by a woman so easily?"

He glanced at the butler, then calmly ordered, "Go and have someone look into it. Tell them to make sure to inspect everything thoroughly. I want all the details. That woman is trying to make a fool of the Wilson family. She's not getting out of this without facing the consequences!"



Chapter 972 Fake Information

As the Wilson sons matured, they each acquired their own residences. Jaylah, with Joseph's assistance, purchased a villa and only returned to the old house for holidays or to visit Joseph.

In the old house, their rooms were kept just the way they were and cleaned regularly, so they could stay anytime they wanted.

Upon returning to her room, Kaley quickly dropped the act of vulnerability she had displayed before Joseph. With a victorious smirk, she spun around, flopped onto her bed, and eagerly grabbed her phone to call Jaylah.

As soon as Jaylah answered, Kaley exclaimed proudly, "Mom, I've spoken to Grandpa. He's agreed to help us handle Loraine!"

Jaylah smiled and praised her daughter. "Well done, my dear! I just heard that someone at the old house has already started moving things along. It must be your grandfather!"

They both burst into laughter, thinking about the scheme they were orchestrating.

Because right now, the butler only had fake information about Loraine that they had prepared.

Once the butler relayed this fake information to Joseph, he would surely deem Loraine unworthy. Given his strict and upright manner, he would never allow someone with questionable intentions near the Wilson family!

Relieved and satisfied, the two continued to talk casually for a while before ending their conversation.

Meanwhile, the Wilson family's butler started looking into Loraine using the Wilson family's connections. As anticipated, he received the fake information that Jaylah had prepared.

With full trust in the Wilson family's investigative skills, the butler returned to Joseph with the skewed information. With utmost respect, he reported, "Mr. Wilson, Loraine holds a high position at the Universe Group in Vagow."

Joseph's brow furrowed. "The Universe Group?"

He hadn't completely stepped back from work and sometimes asked about family matters, so he had some knowledge of the Universe Group.

He vaguely recalled that they had a branch in Zodiac, too. But compared to the Wilson family, it was just a small enterprise, not worth his attention.

The butler nodded and continued, "In Vagow, Loraine went through a divorce. She's done well in business, but her personal life seems quite messy. There are rumors linking her to many, including the young man who recently returned to the Cruz family."

Joseph angrily said, "Vincent is also caught up in rumors with her? Is he crazy? He can't even handle a woman like her!"

The butler was too scared to talk about Vincent. After a short break, he added, "A couple of days ago, Vincent sent someone to spy on her. Later, Loraine was spotted going in and out of a restaurant with another man. They said Vincent stormed out there angrily."

This information deepened Joseph's belief that his youngest son had fallen under Loraine's manipulative spell. His disdain for her grew.

After pondering, he suddenly recalled, "Didn't Melvin once

mention arranging a marriage between his son and Kaley? Is his son romantically involved with Loraine too?"

"Yes. The Cruz family has been quite agitated by him recently. He's competent, but his rash actions, seemingly influenced by Loraine, have made him harsh towards Miss Kaley Wilson."

Joseph let out a grunt of frustration. Loraine was certainly causing trouble, not only by luring his youngest son but also by leading his future grandson-in-law astray!

Joseph always despised those who played with feelings. He exclaimed, "If Loraine is so obsessed with fame and fortune, then let's make sure she never gets the chance! Even without resorting to underhanded tactics, the Wilson family has numerous ways to handle such issues. Tell Francis to remind the Universe Group that they shouldn't underestimate the Wilson family!"

The butler promptly set off to organize everything as instructed. Meanwhile, Joseph's anger didn't subside. After a moment, he said coldly, "And bring Vincent back home immediately! How could he let a woman control him, especially as part of the Wilson family?"

Elsewhere, after wrapping up a scene on set, Vincent irritably grabbed a bottle of water from his assistant and took a big gulp.

Aziel approached him, concern etching his face, and asked, "Vincent, what's been bothering you lately? You seem distracted. Are you tired? Why don't you take a break?"

Vincent knew he wasn't in the right state, so he just nodded without refusing.

Despite resting, his frustration and a sense of injustice persisted.

Why was Loraine still treating him this way? Even if he messed up, he'd apologized.

When they first met, they got along and had fun together. But now, Loraine didn't want him as a friend and refused his help when she got hurt. How cold-hearted!

Just when he felt upset, his phone rang. Seeing it was a call from the family estate, he straightened up immediately, knowing he needed to be serious. He answered. "Dad..."

His response was one of disbelief. "What? You're setting me up on a blind date?"