

# The One That Got Away Chapter 31

Chapter Thirty one – Meeting Her Family

Blake POV

“Mom, sis, this is Blake Frost, my ex–husband and Amari’s father! Blake, this is my Mom, Anna and older sister Laura. You already met Luna. I don’t think she needs an introduction!” My wife said,

I automatically extended my hand and did a handshake. I don’t know if this is a thing for royalties like them. But still I want to give them a gesture that I want to be close to them. Even if Lila kept throwing a deadly glare on me.

My goodness, she’s been acting like this since this morning. I don’t even know what’s great about meeting her family. I know I mess up but still I want to meet her family.

“Nice to meet all of you!” I said, plastering a smile for them.

“No wonder my sister falls for you!” His sister Laura commented while shaking my hand.

“Huh?”

“You’re very extra handsome!” She said, gesturing my whole body.

“Told you, his new level of handsomeness with a combination of sexy body!” Luna said while giggling.

“Can we please move forward? Stop gawking at him for goodness sake!” Lila said on the other side. Who never bothers to hide her scowling face.

“You are so rude sis! What’s wrong in appreciating your husband?”

“Stop ok? Remember we have minors here!” She said pointing at my daughter who’s busy eating the gummy bear that I bought for her. She really loves eating it.

“You both are cute. Seeing two people with the same face looks so cute!” Her mother said and I smiled looking at my daughter.

“Yeah, I am so proud of that!” I soas as I kiss my daughter’s cheeks.

“Papa!” She likes to call me that and she calls her mom, MoMA.

“Why don’t we head to the dining room? So we can get over this!” My wife said, “Come on, they are still busy preparing for the food I believe. For the meantime we want to get

to know the guy, who my daughter fell in love with and later on became the father of my beautiful granddaughter!” Her mom said while her eyes pointed at me.

I smiled at them and didn’t know if I should be afraid or nervous or be happy. The fact that they want to know me right? But of course I am still the reason why Lila went here all alone.

After a few talks the servants told us that the dinner was ready. So we headed out there while Amiara was still glued on my arms. No matter how much Loka tried to lure her out from my arms she always shook her head.

Well, it seems like my little girl is a daddy’s girl. What can I say she has me wrapped around her little fingers. And I don’t mind at all, she’s the best thing ever happened to me and her mom. I will do anything to make them happy. Especially my wife, I will have her back.

I sat next to my wife while my daughter was in my arms.

“Baby, come let Mama hold you so Papa can eat properly?” Lila said as we all took our seats.

“No!!!” My daughter whined.

“Sweetheart, it’s ok! If you get her then it would be hard for you to eat!”

I raised my brows as I watched fill her plate with only a small amount of food. I grabbed the serving spoons and put a plentiful amount of food making her eyes wide looking at me shocked.

“What are you doing?” She whispered at me but it’s useless since her family keeps on staring at the two of us.

“Obviously I am filling food for you!” I soas as I continued doing it to myself.

“I can’t finish this all? Why did you put too much food on my plate?” She said and I can sense she’s annoyed as I can see her brows meeting.

“Sweetheart, you need to eat a lot more. I always find you attractive and sexy as hell!” I said, making her blush for a moment. I forgot we were in the middle of a dinner with her family.

I can hear a teasing sound from her sisters and her mom can’t stop herself giggling over us.

“Stop!” She said, pointing to her family.

My daughter who is very oblivious of her surroundings is looking at us with questions.

After that we sat while talking about something. It's a relief that her sisters did not start teasing her again. I guess she's very secretive to them.

When dinner over I looked into my daughter who's now half asleep in my arms. I patted my wife softly on her shoulder making her look into me.

"Hmm?" She said a puzzle I pointed at our daughter who's now sleeping peacefully in my arms.

"Oh! I need to put her on her bed. She's very excited and energetic about you coming here. She never stops rumbling when are you gonna come!" She said and I love how she talks like that.

I should have never thought about her after my money and fame. She's very simple and easy to be with.

Cheater?

Nah, she's the type of person who would never do anything to harm me. I am such an idiot for breaking her heart and now I am paying for it.

No matter how hard I tried to convince her to give me another chance. She still stayed to her decision not to have any romantic relationship with me.

But even seeing her on dinner with her family. My eyes can only wander on her beautiful face and that sexy body.

Did I mention she wore a flowery dress that stopped on her mid thigh? It looks so cute and sexy at the same time. It's not helping when she's constantly blushing over her sister's teasing remarks on us.

If I got another shot with her. I will never waste it. I will ask her to marry me automatically. If we have to fly over to Las Vegas to have our quick wedding I wouldn't mind. As long as I got to put a ring on her finger I would do anything in a heartbeat.

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Chapter Thirty Two – Friends

Lila POV

I was staring at Blake as I thought he's the most idiotic guy in the world.

I mean this guy has been an idiot but now his acting is really one at the moment.

“Come again?” I asked him as I was clearly puzzled over his words he said just a while ago.

“I said marry me instead of that guy!” He said while I was bewildered by his statement.

“Fuck no!” I said as I think it’s the most ridiculous thing ever.

“Sweetheart, I’ve been asking you to marry me again. I think this is the right time!”

“What makes you think of it?”

“I mean would you rather go to that guy instead of me? You’ve been with me for how many years and we were married once too!”

“Yeah, you should hear what you are saying now! I have married you once and I don’t think I plan on marrying you twice. There’s a reason why things ended between the two of us. So whatever you are thinking is not the best solution!” I said as I shook my head.

“But.... but.... !” He choked from his words. I see how he tried to be strong not to be emotional but his eyes betrayed him. “But I love you, I won’t let any other guy take you away from me!” He finally outbursts.

“No one’s taking me away from you since we are not together in the first place. Also, I don’t think this is your problem, it’s mine. So forget about it. How did you even learn about this?”

“It’s you mom and sisters. They told me about it!”

“Look, just forget about it!”

“What do you want me to do to prove to you that I love you so badly? Please don’t punish me like this. Just give me one more chance I will do anything you want me to do. Please sweetheart! I can’t lose you!” This time Blake went over to me and hugged me tightly. He then held my hand. and placed it on his chest.

“Look, do you feel my heart beating so fast? Sweetheart, I love you! Please.... Do you want me to beg on my knees? I will do it! Please have me back. Choose me over that guy. I promise I will love you more and more everyday!” He said as he went down on his knees and begged for me.

“Stand up Blake if someone sees us they will think I did something to you! Come on!”

“Then marry me!” He soas still on his knees.

“Blake we can’t! I won’t marry that guy either, if that’s what you are thinking. I told you I won’t marry. I want to concentrate on taking care of our daughter, nothing more!” I said to him as I held him up.

Good thing he listens to me and stands up.

“Promise?” He said while grasping my hands.

I nodded in response as I looked into his eyes.

“You will never look at another man, right?” He asked me.

“Blake, I don’t know, ok? For now I don’t have any plans on falling in love. again. My daughter is my main priority!”

“But you will choose me again right? Please? Tell me what can I do? Sweetheart? Don’t you miss our home?”

“Of course, I miss Blake. We built our dreams there. But those things are already done and I don’t think we can make it again! Whatever happens to us, it’s a lesson to learn. So I hope if you find someone again, love her and trust her!”

“I won’t love anyone else sweetheart. It will always be you, no other than you. I love you so much!”

“Blake, I won’t change my mind. I told you many times. Can we just please stop talking about this?” I said to him as my patience slowly faded.

“But sweetheart!”

“Blake!!” I gave him a deadpan look.

“Please don’t say no? Please?”

“We can’t be together anymore!” I said, trying to make him understand.

“Ok, but let’s be friends, I mean friends really really close! Please? Then if you change your mind you can tell me and then we can be together again? But no boyfriend please? Don’t find one, I can’t promise I can’t kill anyone who will try to date you! You are mine for me!” He said and I looked at him feeling defeated.

“Fine, let’s be friends!” I said and he broke out into a smile.

“Thank you sweetheart, but no boyfriend please?” He said while begging to me.

“Told you I don’t have time for that!”

“Yessssss!” He fist bumps into the air feeling happy with my answer.

“Now, can I go now? I really need to get out of here so I prefer to go to the park with Amari!”

“I’m coming!” He smiled.

“Huh? But it’s not your scheduled day to be with Amari?”

“Who cares, I want to be with the two of you. And I don’t need a schedule. to be with my wife and daughter!”

“Blake!!” I said, giving him a warning look.

“Fine, can’t help it. Just so you know, I do love you. Really really love you. We are friends for now but I am not giving up on you. I love you sweetheart! I want you to be my wife forever!”

“Let’s go!” I said as I don’t want to redo whatever we were discussing just awhile ago. We just kept repeating whatever we discussed. Since this guy can’t seem to get that I am not interested in having a relationship for now.

I only need my daughter. She’s my life now. I am happy that I can see happiness each day. Though I know she will be happy if both of her parents are ok but still I am a bit hesitant to give him a chance.

The things that happened in the past were not easy to forget. It took me hard to let go of those bad memories.

The fact that I am pregnant, alone and without a husband is something I won’t forget. I gave him a chance back then but he didn’t even listen to me. So I guess it’s equal I do the same.

I can’t give him a chance that easily. He needs to earn my trust and he needs to learn his lesson.

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Chapter Thirty Three – Kidnapped

Lila POV

“Sorry but my daughter doesn’t want to marry your son Rafael. I am afraid that I need to decline what your family offered, Mr Fronton. My daughter likes to have a plentiful time with her daughter for now. Hope you will understand!” I can hear what my mother said over the phone.

I guess I don't have to guess who the caller is because it's obvious I can hear their conversation.

"Yes, thank you! Kindly send the message to your son. I know he has good intentions but I don't think it's the right time for his offer..... Yes! Yeah, I do hear from my daughters how loving your son is to my daughter Liliana..... Oh no! She doesn't have anyone for a moment. As I said she likes to have time for her daughter only..... !" My mom answered again and I think she purposely delayed the last word.

"Hmmm... yeah! Of course! You are welcome!" My mom once again spoke and after she hung up the phone I saw my mom let out a deep sigh.

She didn't see me yet so I appeared in front of her. She looked at me wearily and gestured to me to sit down.

"Good morning sweetheart? What are you doing here?" She asked me.

Of course she asked me. I rarely visit her in her office. I always talk to my mom in her bedroom because I feel like when I am talking to her in her office she's not mom but the queen of the country, that's why I prefer to talk to her in her bedroom. It's like it's really her.

"Can I know what's in the call mom?" I asked once I settled down in my chair.

I know I already know what's with the call but still I want to ask my UH properly.

I really don't know why that Fronton guy is still hanging on me. Even though I clearly dismissed him in the past. If I didn't accept his proposal a long time ago, much more now.

Even though I am divorce and a single mom. But I don't think I want to settle down with another guy who's not my child's father. Maybe in the future but for now I want to be focused on growing and taking care of Amari.

After the little talk with my mom, I went to my room and decided to change. Luna texted me that she went to the park with my daughter. As always she always says yes to my daughter.

One thing I like about my daughter being with her is that. Luna doesn't like to grab attention. She always prefers to go alone and merge with normal people. Which I always prefer for my daughter. I want her to live. normally. As much as possible I am going to let her live freely.

I know it's normal for a royalty to have a bodyguard 24/7 on the side. But I had my experience with it and I don't like it. I always wanted to be alone and having a bodyguard with me won't make me act like normal.

Just as I finished changing and made myself look presentable enough. My phone rings and I walk through the vanity to pick up. I saw my sister Luna's name on it and I hit the green button.

"Yes?"

"Sis.... Amari, I can't find her!" She said and my heart dropped out from my chest.

"A what? Don't you dare joke something like that Luna!"

"No, god knows I am joking! She was running in the park, laughing and giggling. And then out of the blue someone bumps into me. When I looked up again to look for her she's gone! I swear!"

"Shit! No one recognizes you right?"

"No! Some people just minding their business. But at this hour the park is mostly not crowded!" She said and I can hear her voice shaking.

"I am coming!" I said as I went out immediately.

I don't know how I will get there. I swear that's the fastest record I have ever driven. I spotted my sister looking lost and confused. I have never seen her acting like this ever before. When she saw me her eyes grew wide and she ran to me.

"I am so sorry! I shouldn't have taken her here. I am sorry sis. It's all my fault!" She said while I could feel her body shaking as she sobbed.

My mother and sister Laura came as well. They called the police head to investigate the abduction of my daughter.

I also called Blake and he looked at me with an unreadable expression. I don't know if he is disappointed or not but for now my intention is to find my daughter.

Once everything settled. We went to the palace and the police head explained to us what would be the possible scenario.

"Did you find the CCTV footage of the park?" For the first time Blake spoke.

"Yes sir, but it only captures a man wearing a black mask. But don't worry, we saw in the footage that there's a man standing nearby. Looks like they are linked to each other. My team is now collecting CCTV videos everywhere!" The police head said.

I know I look like a mess right now. But I don't care. I just want to find my daughter. My thoughts ran back and I didn't notice Blake went to my side and grabbed me.



“What the?” I said as he stopped dragging me.

Before I could finish my sentence. A warm sensation engulfed me and I automatically melted. I felt a hand stroking into my back softly. Making me let go of my tears that I’ve been holding for a long time.

“It’s ok, everything will be ok!” He said he was trying to assure me.

“Don’t worry, I have some men doing their investigation. I will do anything to find our daughter as soon as possible. Whoever bastard kidnapped her, he will pay for it!” He said and I kept his muscles tense.

“What if they hurt her?”

“Shhhh, don’t think something like that is ok?”

“Once I have a hold of that fucker! Don’t worry! I won’t let them see the daylight again. No one hurts my family!” He said and I closed my eyes returning his hug.

His warm breath fanned over the back of my shoulder. I felt relaxed and moments later I didn’t notice that my vision went blurry. I can feel my body being lifted up and I snuggle deep into the familiar scents that I’ve been missing for a long time.

Before I can finally drift into a deep slumber. I can hear a deep voice whispering into my ear.

“Sleep well sweetheart, don’t worry everything will be ok!” He said.

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Chapter Thirty Four – Messages

Blake POV

“I swear I am going to kill that bastard!” I said as I fisted my palm tightly.

“Don’t worry Honey, your Dad is doing his Best!”

“I know Mom, but I can’t help feeling uneasy when you know your daughter is out there with some stranger!”

“Still haven’t received any calls yet?” My mom said on the other line.

“No! It would be better if that fucker called and demanded a ransom. I don’t care how much as long as I can get my daughter back!”

“Who would do something like this? If this is not kidnapped for ransom then who?” She said,

“I don’t know, but I have a bad feeling about this!”

“What do you mean?”

“I have investigated that guy Fronton!”

“You mean that guy who asks for Lila’s hand for marriage?”

“Yes! When I asked Lila about it, she said that the Fronton guy has been obsessed with her since high school. I mean, who in their right mind would do something like requesting to marry? The fuck? I did not nor try to hide my identity as Amari’s father. And I intended to marry Lila again. I was vocally expressing that to her family. I don’t care if they have these rules about who to marry. Bullshit! I have enough to sustain my family needs and wants. I can give them anything and everything. No one can stop me from getting what’s mine!”

“Oh, don’t worry Son, you may not come from royalty. I bet those people know you have the same money and power as them! Urg! I was excited to see my granddaughter!”

“I know Mom, I’ve been convincing Lila to come visit New York just for vacation. But she’s been hesitant!”

“I do understand her honey. New York doesn’t have good memories of her. Especially that we don’t have a good relationship with her. I feel like an idiot! But I plan on asking forgiveness from her. She is such a good woman to you!”

“Thanks Ma!!” Then my other phone buzzed and I automatically told my mom that I needed to hang up.

“Hello?”

“Sir!”

“Any news?”

“Yes sir! We found something that might link to the guy Fronton!”

“What is it?”

My investigator told me that Fronton secretly purchased a house in the middle of the forest a week ago. The van that has been on the CCTV footage in the park has been seen going on that house.

“We will be going there sir to look and investigate! Once we confirmed she’s there. We will rescue her!”

“Good, I am coming with you!”

“Sir, it’s dangerous!”

“I don’t care! That’s my daughter we are talking about!”

“Ok, sir!”

After our conversation, I went to Lila’s room again to check on her. But when I opened the door the bed was already empty. I thought she might use the bathroom but I didn’t hear any noises there. So I went downstairs but I can’t seem to find her.

I went again to her room and my eyes landed on her phone that was sitting on the bed. Though I am not the type of guy who likes to snoop on someone’s phone, especially my girl phone. But I have this uneasy feeling about it.

I opened it but it required a password so I tried our wedding date surprisingly I got in. I smiled knowing that she still remembered and valued our wedding day. Which means I still have hope for our relationship to grow more.

I went to the call history but I didn’t see anything suspicious so I went to the messages inbox. There I saw a text from an unknown sender.

I have your daughter. Call this number so I can tell you the address.

Then I read the other message and said, Make sure no one will know about you going out. And also do not bring your phone with you. I don’t want anyone to know where you are.

Nothing after that message.

I ran as fast as I could as I thought I could still catch her outside but when I got there she’s not there anymore. Also her car no longer parks outside.

I called my team to check on my wife’s location. I know the plate number of her car. I let out a series of curses.

Why didn’t she tell me?

What if something happens to her?

I don’t want to think anything might happen worse but both of them are gone?

If that fucker do something to my mother and daughter I am going to kill him with my own hands.

After a couple of minutes my team called me informing me about my wife. Good thing they were able to track her.

I went out as soon as my team told me the address. They are also heading that way too.

I didn't tell her family because as much as possible I want to make this a close secret between me and my team. It's not like I don't trust her family but the system they have.

That guy came from the same system they have. I know they will have eyes and ears to the royals. That's why I do my own way and I will deal with this on

OWN.

I prefer to work on people I trust enough. For now I don't have time to think of what possibly her family would think of me about not trusting them. But I have to concentrate on bringing my family back.

And after that, I would do anything in my power not to repeat this situation. I don't want my wife to face this kind of dilemma ever again.

## **The One That Got Away Chapter 35**

Chapter Thirty Five – Love Me

Lila POV

I can feel the heat of the creeping on my face. It makes me groan as I take a peak with my eyes which makes me shut it again as my eyes can't stand the light. I squeeze my eyes shut and slowly open it to adjust from the light.

I touched the side of my bed only to find it empty. When realisation hit I should have not been lying here and sleeping like a log when my daughter is out there. God knows who and what kind of people took her me.

I sat abruptly and my eyes wandered around. I thought Blake was with me.

I stood up and went to grab a pair of shirts and sweatpants but then my phone chimes and I take it. When my eyes landed on the message, I felt like my heart burst into two.

I got two messages saying that they have my daughter and that I need to call this number instantly.

The other one said that I will meet them and I should not inform anyone nor bring anything with me if I want to see my daughter.

I let out a deep sigh as I dial the phone Number to call. A deep voice answered me and he even let me speak to my daughter who I can sense that she's not feeling good while with those strangers with her.

I told the caller I will be coming and I do what he told me to do.

I grabbed my car keys and went outside praying that no one could spot me leaving the palace on my own.

I plunge on the address they give me and I pray that everything will turn out good. The last thing on my own is to see my daughter getting hurt. I would rather choose to be hurt than her. She's everything to me and I can't stand it when she's hurting.

The ride from the destination only took one hour. I parked my car and I saw a guy waiting at me. I know he looks suspicious but I don't care. I just want to see my daughter.

He guided me towards his car and he didn't even speak a word. I get inside then after thirty minutes we enter a forest-like vicinity.

At first you will think that no one is living here but when the car went further inside I saw a small house on it, a nice one actually. You would have thought that with those movies, a kidnapped scenario where the kidnapers took the victim into a rundown, muggy and old house? Or a warehouse?

But this one is exceptional. If I may think the kidnapper looks like he has good fortune. But one second I thought why does he need to kidnap my daughter? What's his intentions?

As the guy that escorted me opened the door for me to enter. My heart jumped when I saw my daughter sitting, eating cookies and watching something on television. She turned her gaze to me and she smiled.

"Mama!" She stood and ran to me.

I caught her and gave her the biggest hug I ever gave her. I almost squeezed the life of her and she smiled at me when I finally let go of her.

"You ok?" I asked her.

“Hmmm... !” She nodded at me.

“Sure? Did anyone hurt you?” I asked her and her eyes wandered to my side. And I immediately followed her gazes and it landed on the guy sitting on the table.

When my brain finally realized the person sitting in front of me is none other than Jack fucking Fronton. The guy that has been obsessing over me and I can't help my blood boil at the sight of him.

“Fronton? What the?” I said as I tried not to swear in front of my daughter.

“Hi, Love here I thought you already forgot me. But it looks like I am still increase in your heart!” And I almost want to gag.

“What's the meaning of this?” I asked him.

“What do you think of my Love?”

“Fronton please don't play a game. Please stop this. You are dragging my innocent daughter into this!” I soas.

“I am not! I just need to do this because you won't let me see you!”

“What? Why do you need to see me anyway?”

“My family, more precisely me, is asking your hand to marry but you decline. I don't accept that love!”

“Huh? Nothing is wrong with rejecting your offer!”

“Then I have to do something, my love for you to say yes!”

“Fronton stop doing this!”

“I won't, you have a choice!”

“What do you want from me?”

“I want you to marry me!”

“I can't marry someone I don't know!”

“You've known me ever since. You even married that American guy and it broke your heart. Why can't you accept me? I will never do something to hurt you!”

“Fronton, I can't marry you. I don't feel anything for you!”

“Then do you want to see your child die in front of you?” He said and his eyes transformed into something. I swear the skin of my skin suddenly stood straight. I suddenly felt creepy in how he stared at me.

“What?” Words choke me as I can’t believe the man standing in front of me.

“You heard what I said Li, love me? Or do you have to see your daughter die?” He said and I shook my head.

“Don’t do this please! You are not that person! You know you can’t force someone to do something like that! Marriage is a sacred union, it’s between two people that are in love!”

“In love? You know damn well that not all marriage started like that. For example your parents. Your dad won’t leave your mom if he loves her!”

“I know...!” I said as words left me.

“Then marry me! So we can end all of this. I promise to treat you better than that scam guy of yours. I can give you anything. I can even be your daughter’s father. I will do anything to make you happy!”

I stared at him. This guy right now is not someone I can easily love.