

## **Guardian 471**

Chapter 471 An Update “Are you alright, Mr. Braders?” With Caesar kneeling for no reason, everybody went to help him up.

Kiev said, “Are you unwell from the travel here, Mr. Braders? Why don't you take a break before getting down to business? The divorce proceedings aren't urgent.”

“Um... Uh... Um...”

Caesar looked at Kaze in terror and helplessness. Fear got a grip on

his throat.

“Do you know him, Mr. Braders?”

Kiev frowned.

The way Caesar looked at Kaze was strange to Kiev. Kiev glanced at Kaze skeptically but could not figure out Caesar's reaction. Kaze was a nobody, and Kiev had no doubt about it.

“Oh, we have met.”

Since Kaze would not give Caesar any attention, Caesar did not want to overstep his boundaries and answered vaguely. He broke out in a

cold sweat. So they had met before, and that was all that happened.

Not reading into the matter, Kiev said, “You can just tell your employees to process the divorce while you take a break, Mr. Braders.”

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With Kiev clinging to the divorce, Caesar wished he could just shut his 413)

mouth.

“Mr. Braders, just do as Mr. Clifford told you to.”

Kaze’s taunting voice was heard.

Caesar’s jaw dropped.

“I-| wouldn’t dare...”

Caesar choked with sobs. He wished he could turn back time. Due to Kiev, Caesar got himself involved with Kaze’s personal business.

This would be the death of him.

“Just do it.”

Kaze hurled the file containing the documents at Caesar.

Enraged, Kiev criticized, “What’s with your attitude, Kaze? Show some respect to Mr. Braders. Who do you think you are? How dare you throw things at Mr. Braders?”

“I’m fine. I’m fine. I’ll get right to it.” Heeding Kaze’s words, Caesar took the file to the office right away.

Kiev smiled in delight. "Don't worry, Kaze. Mr. Braders will keep things going. Once he gives the okay, you and Darcy can file for divorce."

Kaze glanced at Kiev and shook his head without a word. Agnes mistook Kaze's expression for despair. She sighed and felt sorry for him.

"I only push for a divorce this time because you got yourself in big trouble, Kaze. You're only married to Darcy by name, and we have lived together for a while.

713 "If you somehow manage to make it out of this, I'll get Darcy to find a job for you. At least you'll have a roof over your head."

Agnes was kind-hearted even though that side of her was rarely seen.

She could not accept Kaze to be her son-in-law. With Kaze and Darcy about to divorce, she could finally feel at ease. Feeling touched, Kaze felt less anger toward Agnes.

He looked up and said with a smile, "It's too early to say that. There's no telling whether Darcy and I will divorce. You're still my mother-in-law."

Agnes saw red. She thought that Kaze said that deliberately to tick

her off.

"Don't be ungrateful, Kaze. You can sleep under a bridge and starve to death for all we care!" Then, Caesar drew close.

He looked at Kaze restlessly. "You can start the filing now."

Kiev consoled Agnes. "Don't let him get to you, Agnes. They can proceed to fill the forms now." "That's right. Go and fill out the forms now!"

Agnes pulled Darcy, who was a wreck, from the chair.

An employee hurried out.

“Mr. Braders, we have an update from the administration.”

Chapter 472 The Country Won't Let Us Divorce

“What's the update?”

Caesar was dumbfounded.

In matters beyond family law, the country's administration held ultimate authority.

If it was an update to the legislation, the order would not reach Lilyrose family court yet.

It could only mean that the update was important and urgent.

“The mandatory waiting period for filing a divorce was supposed to be introduced in the new year.” The employee added with a shocked look, “We got word from the administration that the rule will take effect right away.” “A mandatory waiting period? What is that?”

Agnes and the others were stunned.

“Mrs. Quint, in other words, we don't process the filing of divorce right

away anymore. They can file, but the divorce will only be finalized after a month.”

While talking, Caesar stole a glance at Kaze. He could not read anything on Kaze's face. However, Caesar had his suspicions that the new law came into effect ahead of time because of Kaze. Kaze's words were the law, literally speaking.

Agnes panicked.

Another month? She could not wait a minute more.

"Kiev..."

She turned to Kiev, hoping he could talk to Caesar and finalize the

divorce anyway.

Not wanting things to go south, Kiev said, "Mr. Braders, the new rule is just introduced. No one will say anything if you implement it

minute later.

"I'll owe you one for getting this expedited for me, Mr. Braders."

Normally, Caesar would not mind getting a favor from Kiev. However, he had to consider Kaze's feelings since he was there. Caesar looked at Kaze, his heart dropping when the latter smiled sarcastically at him.

He wiped away the smile and said matter-of-factly, "I'm sorry, Mr. Clifford. I can't bend the rules for you." "Mr. Braders!"

Kiev scowled and wanted to throw a fit.

It struck him that he was not at South River State Strategic

Department, so he curled his lips and said, "I would appreciate it, Mr. Braders, if--"

"No." Caesar refused firmly.

Kiev grimaced. There was nothing more he could do as Caesar would not budge.

"You're a law-abiding citizen, Mr. Braders."

Kaze got up and patted Caesar's shoulder with a smile.

He then turned to Agnes, Kiev, and the others. "See? I told you that the

country might not allow me and Darcy to divorce."

Agnes was tempted to tear Kaze's smug and snarky face apart.

Kiev resisted the urge to punch him.

Agatha's family let out strange looks.

They could not wrap their heads around the situation.

Why was a new law implemented when Kaze and Darcy were about to file for divorce? The coincidence was eerie.

It somehow felt like the timing of the law implementation was

deliberate.

However, that was impossible.

Exasperated, Anges hissed through clenched teeth. “How did you know that the country will move ahead with the new legislation, dummy?”

“I told the country that I didn’t want to divorce Darcy.”

Kaze told the truth with a smile.

Nevertheless, everybody dismissed him.

“Who do you think you are? Why should the country listen to you?”

Kiev scoffed and hid his disappointment as he mocked. “You were just lucky, but so what? The divorce will be finalized a month later anyway.”

“Enough, Kiev!”

Chapter 473 I'll Send Leo to Kingdom Come

The angry outburst did not come from Kaze.

It was Darcy.

She jolted to her feet and looked angrily at Kiev. "Kaze is right. Our divorce is none of your business."

Kiev's jaw dropped in surprise. It never occurred to him that Darcy would yell at him for Kaze's sake.

She was rude for the first time too.

Paying Kiev no attention, Darcy turned to Kaze in tears and smiled. She said, "In fact, I don't need a waiting period.

"I don't need a month to reconsider my decision. I will never divorce Kaze."

Agnes panicked. "Are you trying to get us all killed, Darcy? Do you know who he messed with? How can you be so reckless?" "Just call me reckless, Mom. But I just want to follow my heart."

Darcy looked her mother in the eye and said determinedly, "Kaze is innocent. He knows it, I know it, and you all know it. "But why are we punishing him and pleading with the bad guy for mercy?"

Faced with her daughter's questioning, Agnes hung her head low and murmured, "But Leo will come after our family." "Don't worry. I will send Leo to kingdom come," Kaze uttered callously.

The divorce, which included a waiting period, was only a temporary

strategy to buy time for now.

Knowing Agnes, she would kick up a fuss for a whole month so long as the issue with Lefteria Group existed.

"Right, and I'm supposed to believe that?"

Agnes scoffed at Kaze's words.



“If the police had linked you to the crime, you would still be in the holding cell.

“You can’t do anything to Leo for twisting the facts and making false statements about you.”

Agnes ran out of ideas on what to do now. She wondered if she should seek further help from Kiev.

Darcy had just ripped into Kiev, and he appeared quite upset, sulking

in silence. Agnes could not bring himself to ask him.

Darcy said, “Don’t worry, Mom. Miru will handle it. We never know. Maybe Kaze will turn out fine.”

She doubted Kaze could sort out the issue on his own.

Darcy put her hope in Miru.

“Yeah. We can only count on Miru now.”

Agnes sighed.

Miru had her back to the wall. Surely, Albert would not stand by and do nothing about it.

“Let's go home.”

Agnes walked out dejectedly. Her hands were tied because her daughter was hell-bent on keeping her marriage to Kaze. Kiev left on his own. His back looked somewhat lonesome.

Darcy's earlier attitude was a blow to his pride.

“You should stay at Horizon Mirror Mansion until the situation at

Lefteria Group is over, Kaze.”

Back home, Darcy urged Kaze.

Kaze seemed to agree with Darcy on her suggestion.

Meanwhile, a conversation went on in the Lefteria Tower.

“Leo, word came from Shane that Miru and Darcy fled back to Lilyrose. They tried to take cover at Horizon Mirror Mansion. “But Jeremiah appeared at the gate to Skylar View District and stopped them.

“Jeremiah took Miru somewhere. Our people didn’t manage to keep track of them.”

Leo’s chauffeur, also a confidante, updated him.

The news gave Leo something to smile about.

He got up and grabbed a bottle of Remy Martin from the wine co

The red wine trickled into the glass as Leo said excitedly, “The woman is dead either way. It’s a shame | never got a taste of her before she died.”

Chapter 474 A Real Threat

“That’s one competition out without breaking a sweat. This calls for a celebration.” Leo handed a wine glass to his subordinate.

“Thank you, Leo.”

The chauffeur took the glass and sipped before saying with a chuckle, “No need to find it a shame, Leo. Although Miru is dead, her best friend, Darcy, is quite the knockout too.

“The woman hasn’t been with a man before even though she married the idiot.”

Lust flickered across Leo’s eyes.

Although Leo had never met Darcy, he had seen her photo. Darcy was hot, a different type of stunner to Miru.

Seeing that Leo was interested, the chauffeur, eager to please h said with a smile, “If you want to get the girl, now is the chance. “The woman will be yours if you threaten her with her idiot husband’s

life.”

“No need for that.”

Leo waved his arm to refuse.

With a grimacing look, he added, “Kaze is an accessory to my godfather’s murder. What will the key members of Lefteria Gang think of me if | let him off the hook just to sleep with his wife?

“Once | kill him and avenge my godfather, | will find a chance to get into her pants.” Leo would become the new underworld kingpin of Lilyrose after he took out Miru, his competition, and ran Lefteria Gang. By then, it would be a breeze to get the woman he wanted.

“That's brilliant, Leo. Once you've finished off Kaze and gained the loyalty of Lefteria Gang, no one will ever be able to get in your way again.”

The chauffeur sucked up to him. Leo shook his head. “There’s one more person I’m concerned about within Lefteria Gang.”

The person was Jeremiah. He was Leteria Gang's best fighter. He was also the gang's powerful weapon against the other forces.

Now that Jeremiah slaughtered Gabriel and spooked Cronus to skip town, he had become a bigger threat to others. Jeremiah was the big gun of Leteria Gang.

It was a shame that Jeremiah could not be controlled.

Leo had once tried to win Jeremiah over.

Given Jeremiah and Bando were long-time friends, Leo assumed that Jeremiah would extend a helping hand to his son. Still, Jeremiah did not treat him any differently than the other members of Leteria Gang.

Jeremiah looked down on them all the same.

Leo felt helpless and uneasy about the situation.

He used Jeremiah to get rid of Miru. However, his actions might come back and bite him in the ass. For all he knew, Jeremiah could end up killing him.

Jeremiah had become a real threat to Leo.

Nevertheless, Leo would not even dream of eliminating Jeremiah. He did not have the guts or competence. Just then, Leo got an unexpected call. "Congratulations on getting rid of your competition, Miru.

"Your next plans must be to become the youngest underworld kingpin in Lilyrose, maybe even the South River State in history. Congrats!"

Leo furrowed his brows upon hearing the jolly voice on the other end of the line.

He scoffed. "What do you want?"

"Now that Miru is dead, Jeremiah must be the only threat standing in Leteria Gang."

Angel said, "If you're open to working with us to eliminate Jeremiah, I can visit your office now."

Chapter 475 Send Kaze to Hell

Minutes passed.

"The nerve of you, Angel. Aren't you worried I might just kill you?"

Leo stared coldly at Angel, who sat across from him.

It never occurred to him that Angel would infiltrate the Leteria Tower before calling him.

Angel seemed sure that Leo would agree to a meetup.

He said with a smile, "If you want to avenge Alan and win over your people in Leteria Gang, you should kill my king. I am only the king's lapdog, so what's the point of killing me?"

Leo said nothing.

Angel had a point.

If Cronus was standing before him, Leo would kill him without hesitation. By killing Cronus, Leo could gain control over Leteria Gang with ease.

Even Jeremiah might put aside his ego and aid him. Alas, Cronus was not there. Killing Angel would achieve nothing.

Leo said curtly, "Don't think I am an idiot, and fool me to kill Jeremiah. With him gone, your king would be the one benefiting from it all."

"You would have to kill either my king or Jeremiah, Leo. Otherwise, you won't be sitting up there for long." Angel smiled pretentiously. "The choice is yours." Leo grimaced.

Moments later, he sneered. "When Jeremiah made it to Azure Estate, your king fled with his tail tucked between his legs. Can you even kill him?"

Angel smiled.

For Leo to ask that question, it meant a collaboration was well underway.

"Don't worry about that, Leo. We'll kill Jeremiah the same way we

killed Alan. He won't know what hit him. Just like before, you get to decide when Jeremiah dies." Leo nodded.

He only agreed to cooperate because the victim's life was at his mercy. Leo got to play God. "It's my godfather's funeral service tomorrow. The venue is River Watcher Inn."

Leo had planned the time and place to end Jeremiah.

"Alright."

Angel clapped and got ready to leave.

Before heading out the door, he cocked his head back and added, " That reminds me. | hope you can sweeten the deal for me and kill the stupid son-in-law of the Quints too.

"My king isn't too pleased with the bastard's disrespect."

Angel was talking about Kaze sending Gold Tooth and D'an to Azure Estate.

"That's exactly my thoughts."

Leo nodded nonchalantly.

He turned and summoned his chauffeur. "Put the word out to the Quints to hand Kaze over. | want him at River Watcher Inn tomorrow, or the Quints can go to hell on behalf of Kaze."

Leo had received word that the police released Kaze, and he was holing up at Horizon Mirror Mansion

He was not reckless in sending his men into the restricted area.

Even though Kaze took cover in a safe zone, the Quints were not.

Leo trusted the Quints to hand Kaze over.

Soon, the Quints received the message from Lefteria Group.

Back in the Quint family home, Master Quint was dumbfounded. The rest of the family members freaked out too. No consideration was needed as the family reached a consensus.

"The idiot started it, so he can go to hell for all we care. None of deserve to die because of him."

"That's right."

“Come on. Let's get to Horizon Mirror Mansion and make Hector's family hand over the dummy.”

Chapter 476 To River Watcher Inn

Master Quint led the family to Skylar View District.

Darcy's family was having lunch with Agatha's family.

Agatha knew trouble had come knocking on their door because Master Quint and the rest of the family were on a warpath. “What happened, Dad?” Hector asked.

“What happened? Your son-in-law did it again.”

Master Quint glared at his son and said sternly, “Lefteria Group demands that we hand Kaze over and send him to River Watcher Inn to his death.”

The entire family lost their appetite for lunch.

Darcy jumped in. “Don't bother with them, Grandpa. So long as Kaze remains in Skylar View District, Lefteria Group won't send anyone here to capture him.”

Master Quint was aware that twenty assassins were executed at the gate of Skylar View District.

“What's the use of hiding? Kaze can take cover, but what about the rest of us?”

Master Quint shouted angrily, “Lefteria Group said the Quints will have to take Kaze's place if he doesn't show up.” “It's all your husband's fault. Why should we pay for his mistake?”

“That's right. Kaze's life isn't worth anything, but our family holds prestige.”



The rest of the family members echoed the same sentiment.

Hector, Agnes, and Darcy fell silent.

They could not find a reason to refute the Quints and stop Kaze from going to River Watcher Inn.

Leo wanted Kaze dead.

They could not possibly let the family die for Kaze.

“I'll go to River Watcher Inn tomorrow.”

Kaze's voice echoed across the room.

Everybody stopped eating and turned to him. Only Kaze carried on

eating.

The Quints were surprised that Kaze was susceptible to getting

himself killed.

Still, they were not grateful or sympathetic toward him.

Deborah even said gloatingly, “Have some more. Prepare a feast for him tonight. That would be his last meal.”

“Haha. The idiot probably doesn’t know what’s going down at Watcher Inn. That’s a good thing. Ignorance is bliss. He won’t suffer much when he dies.”

“He better die. He’s a disgrace to our family.”

The Quints were sarcastic.

“I’ll go with you tomorrow, Kaze.”

Darcy was heartbroken, and tears ran down her cheeks.

“Don’t you dare, Darcy!”

Agnes shot an angry look at her.

Without responding to Agnes, Darcy grabbed Kaze, wiped her tears, and went upstairs.

“Agnes, make me tea.”

Master Quint was not in a hurry to leave. Instead, he took a seat on the couch and ordered Agnes around. Agnes replied curtly, “Kaze has agreed to go. Happy now? What more do you want?” Before, Agnes could not stand Kaze and insisted Darcy divorce and

kick him out.

However, she was not comfortable that Kaze’s life would end

tomorrow.

Agnes gave the smug family an attitude.

“What if the idiot tries to escape? We need to keep an eye on him until

he leaves Horizon Mirror Mansion.”

The rest of the family agreed with Samus.

The whole family hung around, refusing to leave.

Chapter 477 Golden Crow Monastery Agnes could not do anything about the shameless behavior of Master Quint and the others. She was not in the mood to waste time with the group, so she headed straight upstairs.

“| wasn’t joking, Kaze. I’m going with you to River Watcher Inn. We can face everything together,” on the second-floor balcony, Darcy grabbed Kaze’s arm and said to him earnestly.

Darcy's eyes were filled with tears.

With his heart going out to her, Kaze reached out and wiped away her tears. He was lucky to have a wife like her. “Alright, we'll go together. | want to show you what Leo has coming

for him.”

Others believed Kaze would not leave River Watcher Inn alive.

However, only Kaze knew that he would turn out fine.

Since Darcy wanted to go, he could take her along. She would be glad to see that karma would finally get to Leo. “Okay.”

Darcy nodded.

She sighed to herself. Kaze was too optimistic.

They should expect the worst for tomorrow.

“If you love Darcy, you shouldn’t put her at risk, Kaze.”

Agnes approached and uttered furiously, “I will never forgive you if

you take Darcy to River Watcher Inn tomorrow.”

Since Agnes could not change her daughter’s mind, she could get Kaze to stop her.

Kaze frowned, clearly having something on his mind. He knew that Agnes had no faith in him sorting Lep out. Talk was cheap at that point.

Kaze turned to Darcy. “You should go to the office tomorrow, babe, and wait for my return.”

“No, I want to be with you-”

Darcy shook her head.

Before she could finish, Kaze put his hand on her neck and gave her a

pinch.

Darcy passed out right away.

A strong arm held Darcy steady by the waist and pulled her close to his chest.

“What did you do to Darcy, Kaze?”

Everything happened so quickly, and before Agnes knew it, she started screaming at Kaze.

“Don't worry. Darcy is asleep. She'll wake up tomorrow morning, and by then, I will be at River Watcher Inn.” Kaze then carried Darcy into her bedroom.

Agnes sighed in relief. Still, she was skeptical.

“The tiny pinch works better than a sedative. How did the boy do it?”

Agnes had always seen Kaze as a useless son-in-law. For once, she realized the man was shrouded in mystery. Night had fallen in a monastery on a mountaintop, miles away from Lilyrose.

The bell chimed, bouncing off the walls of Golden Crow Monastery.

The handful of devotees in the night brought some life to the place.

This was where Jeremiah had been meditating for the last twenty

years.

When Miru left with Jeremiah, they arrived at the monastery.

“Don't you have anything to ask me about my godfather's death, Jeremiah?”

While on the way to Golden Crow Monastery, Miru contemplated ways to persuade Jeremiah to believe her. To her surprise, Jeremiah just dumped her at the monastery. He did not ask her anything or try to kill her. That night, Miru had dinner delivered to her space.

Confused by her circumstances, Miru finally met Jeremiah and  
  
him.

“I don’t need to ask you. I met Kaze at the detention center. He prov

to me that he didn’t kill Alan, so I doubt you're involved too,” Jeremiah said indifferently while crossing his legs and closing his eyes in

meditation.

Chapter 478 A Proper Burial for You

“Kaze?”

Miru was shocked.

Jeremiah was unsuccessful in killing Kaze at Lilyrose Detention Center.

Leteria Gang was puzzled.

As it turned out, Kaze had proven his innocence at the time. Miru was curious as to what Kaze did to gain Jeremiah’s trust. Jeremiah did not respond.

“Why did you bring me here?” Miru asked a different question. “Kaze told me to do so.” Jeremiah kept his answers short as always. Miru did not think she would be even more surprised.

Alan alone commanded Jeremiah's respect within Leteria Grou while everyone else was beneath his notice. Why would Kaze any sway over him?

Miru knew the type of man Jeremiah was. He would not answer meaningless questions. Hence, she saved the questions. Instead, she said, "Jeremiah, I got proof of Leo killing Godfather during my trip to Melrose-

"Kaze has told me."

Jeremiah raised her hand to interrupt her.

"Go and get some rest. We will be attending Alan's funeral service at River Watcher Inn tomorrow."

He ended the conversation there.

Miru left, still boggled by doubt.

Knowing Jeremiah, he would have rushed to kill Leo upon learning that the latter was the mole who killed Alan.

However, Jeremiah sat tight and took his time.

In fact, Jeremiah kept mentioning Kaze. Was he acting on Kaze's instructions?

Miru found the whole thing surreal.

Her opinion of Kaze was too low. She had always known him to be a con artist and nothing else.

Miru felt bad that she wrongly accused Kaze of Alan's death. Nevertheless, she still looked down on Kaze.

She refused to believe that Kaze could possibly save the day.

The next day, Darcy was still asleep when Kaze left Horizon M Mansion. He got out of bed and checked on Darcy in her bedroom. It seemed to Agnes that Kaze would leave the home forever after today. Hence, she did not stop him.

Usually, she would not allow Kaze in Darcy's room.

Darcy appeared in better spirits than yesterday. She had been burnt out in the last two days, so it was great for her to catch up on sleep.

"Wait for my return, babe."

Kaze whispered before tiptoeing to the door. He went downstairs. Downstairs, the Quints occupied the dining room and helped themselves to breakfast.

"Huh?"

Most of the family members looked away, not wanting to be associated with someone who was about to die.

Others could care less.

Samus said sarcastically, "I'll ask Leteria Group to give you a proper burial later. I'll spend a few thousand dollars to get you a coffin and pick a plot so that you can have a resting place."

"Why spend money on the loser? | could use the money for surgery or getting a bag."



Deborah pursed her lips.

“That’s where you're wrong, Deborah.”

Samus uttered with a chuckle, “The idiot has been in our family for a while. You'd bond with a pet dog, much less a person. “It will look good on us to take care of his funeral affairs. At least public won't call us out on being heartless.”

His words were met with agreement

“You have a point. I’m glad to fork out the money too.”

Deborah waved her arm generously and turned to Kaze. “Hear that, Kaze? Hurry up and thank me, or you won't even have a final resting place.”

Chapter 479 River Watcher Inn

Kaze had sorted out the Hansers before.

Instead of being grateful to Kaze, Deborah hated his guts.

Their feud went way back.

Deborah was glad that Kaze was moments away from his death.

She said gloatingly, “Once you're gone, Darcy won't take long to forget you and remarry someone else, Kaze. “Remember Kiev? He was here yesterday.

“He is better-looking, wealthier, and comes from a better family than. you. Darcy will have a beautiful marriage with him while you have no shoulders to cry on. | mean, you won't have shoulders as a ghost anyway.”

“Hahahaha!”

The Quints burst out laughing.

Kaze had no time for the group.

Nevertheless, he narrowed his eyes dangerously at Deborah's harsh words.

He took strides over.

“What are you trying to do, Kaze?”

Samus' eyes bulged.

Kaze said with a smile, “Since I'm about to die, why don't you and

Deborah grant my wish?”

“What's the wish?”

The siblings were dumbfounded.

Smack! Smack!

Kaze raised his hand without hesitation.

The siblings were slapped to the ground.

“That’s my wish.”

Kaze flicked his hand and walked away.

In the back, Samus and Deborah howled and cursed hysterically in the dining room.

“Fuck you, Kaze!”

“Ah! I’m going to kill him!”

The other family members joined in hurling insults at Kaze.

Still, they were relieved to see Kaze leave Skylar View District, and they took off from the area too.

They were not worried about Kaze running away.

Once out of Skylar View District, Lefteria Group would hunt Kaze down no matter where he went.

Kaze saw Draco waiting by the car when he walked out of the neighborhood. As always, he wore a pair of sunglasses. “I’m heading to River Watcher Inn to my death. Are you joining me?”

Kaze approached with a smile.

Since Kaze and Draco had been in countless life-or-death situations, they were open to talking about the afterlife. The Quints’ words rolled off him like water off a duck’s back.

“Heh. | doubt anybody in Arcadia can kill you. I’ll drop you there. | wouldn’t want to miss the drama either.” Draco opened the car door for him gleefully.

Kaze sank into the soft leather seat and waved his arm. "Now isn't the time for your appearance. I want to see Leo in despair, and you'll ruin it for me if you're there."

Lilyrose was not a big city. If Draco were to follow him into River

Watcher Inn, his cover would be blown. Kaze would not have a

chance to witness the drama either.

Besides, many would attend the funeral today. Kaze did not want to expose his identity as the God of War. "Fine, I'll wait in the car. I can catch up with the drama once you're

done."

Draco nodded without a care.

They arrived at River Watcher Inn not too long later.

It was a day of mourning at River Watcher Inn.

Wreaths were piled up from the venue to the street outside.

The entire street was under traffic control, and the local traffic department dispatched a large number of officers to maintain order.

The temporary outdoor parking lot next to River Watcher Inn was expanded for the funeral service. Many fancy cars carrying license plates from various places were parked there.

Twenty years ago, Lefteria Gang reached the height of its power. Alan's influence stretched across the South River State, not just

Lilyrose. Later, Alan gave up his life in the underworld, never to see his former glory again

Still, his men continued to have roots in the underground society for generations to come. It was said that the underworld kingpins

outside the state once worked for Alan “Lefteria Gang boasts a long-seated heritage Alan’s best fighter Jeremiah, can take on Cronus any time of the day “Cronus was so full of himself to think he could replace Alan

Kaze watched from the car for a moment before getting off

#### Chapter 480 Atonement

There was a long line outside River Watcher Inn.

They were there to offer their last respects to Alan. Many of them were criminal bosses from various places. Kaze stood in line and followed the crowd into River Watcher Inn.

Alan’s funeral service was held in the lobby of the first floor.

Many offered their condolences as a mournful song played in the background.

Dressed in a black suit, Leo tended to those who came to mourn Alan’s death. He played the part of the grieving godson right because people believed him.

His behavior since Alan’s death had won the loyalty of many members of Lefteria Gang.

“Kaze is here, Leo.”

A subordinate drew close and whispered to Leo.

Leo was speaking to a guest when he looked up. He spotted Kaze the line, and his gaze turned icy.

After excusing himself from the guest, Leo walked over.

“The nerve of you to show your face here when you were an accessory to my godfather’s murder, Kaze.”

Leo raised his voice.

His voice stood out in the quiet lobby, catching everybody's attention. Kaze was in the face of public criticism.

Everybody turned their attention to him.

Leteria Gang glared at him aggressively.

The underworld figures, who came to pay their respects, did not take to Kaze kindly either.

“Get out now! You can come back in on your knees and beg for forgiveness from my godfather,” Leg pointed at the door and said curtly.

Kaze did not mind the piercing stares.

He said indifferently, “Alan doesn’t deserve my kneeling.” “Insolence!”

Angry bellows echoed across the lobby.

“You're a nobody who married into a second-tier family. Even Master Cunningham’s pet holds more prestige than you. How dare you say that Master Cunningham doesn’t deserve your kneeling?”

“Master Cunningham was so kind to give you a job in Lefteria Group. Not only did you plot with Miru to kill him, but you also showed no remorse. I'll make sure you kneel and never get back up.”

“Get out and crawl back in on your knees, bastard! Otherwise, you won't be the only one dead today. You and your wife's family are about to get it.”

Cronus fled.

Miru was dead.

Kaze was the last accomplice, so Lefteria Gang took out their anger on him.

The criticism rained down on Kaze.

Kaze swept a glance at each and every one who tore into him. He took note of all the faces.

“Don't just stand there, Kaze. Didn't you hear everyone?”

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Leo sneered. “You forget leaving the place alive. Just give it up.

“The thing you need to do now is settle everybody down and sacrifice yourself for your wife and family.”

Just as Leo put it, Kaze had no chance of getting out of River Watcher

Inn alive.

However, Leo wanted to humiliate and insult Kaze before his death.

Kaze had disgraced him twice before.

“How about a bet, Leo?”

Kaze added with a smile, “Someone’s going to die today, but it won’t be me. You're the dead man. | bet you can’t kill me.” Leo grinned. He guffawed.

His laughter came to an abrupt end.

“| don’t know where you find the confidence to say that, Kaze.

“Do you honestly think | wouldn’t kill you because the police released you due to the lack of evidence?  
“You're naive.”

Leo pulled out a knife from his back.

Clang!

He threw the knife next to Kaze’s feet.

Leo uttered chillingly, “I want you to end yourself in atonement before my godfather.”