## Luna & Joshua 2361

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Joshua then curled his lips into a smile as he said, "By then, you can have a branch office each in Banyan City and Merchant City, so you can still work while keeping your parents, me, and the kids company."

Luna felt stirred by Joshua's suggestion. She bit her lip and looked at Joshua.

"You've...thought of all these already?"

It was only yesterday when she thought that both Lynch Group and Landry Group could fund the jewelry company together; she had never told anyone about this idea before.

Nevertheless, Joshua had the same idea as her and even started to think of the best steps necessary to make it happen.

A branch office in both Banyan City and Merchant City...She would be able to live with Joshua and the

kids in Banyan Cit, and when work was required, she could go to Merchant City.

With that arrangement, she could take care of both her family and her parents.

Luna sighed and went to hug Joshua from the back.



| "You're already very busy with your work. You should just leave the cooking to the maid." Nigel nodded. |
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| "Or Mom can cook.She can cook something tasty to show you her love."                                    |
| Nellie, too, nodded.  |
| "That's right, Daddy! You can just bake us some biscuits and make coffee in the future!"                |
| Joshua squinted at his children's comments, his sharp, angular face darkening.                          |
| "Is it that bad?"   |
| After that, he took a bite.   |
| Seconds later, the fine facial features of the all-powerful man nearly crumpled entirely as he forced   |
| himself to swallow his dish.  |
| "Yes, you're all correct."  |
| Suddenly, he thought of Luna since she was the first one to try it yet said nothing to suggest she      |
| thought of his cooking negatively.He looked at Luna.  |
| "Why do you still eat it when it's terrible?"   |
| Luna continued to eat silently while looking at him with a gentle smile.                                |

| "It's the thought that counts.I don't care if it tastes bad."   |
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| Joshua furrowed his brows took away the food from Luna.   |
| "Let's eat out."  |
| He turned, planning on bringing his wife and children to eat breakfast. All of a sudden, Luna's phone |
| rang.   |
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| Luna took her phone and glanced at the caller ID, only to notice that it was Rosalyn.                 |
| 'Why is she calling me so early in the morning?' Luna furrowed her eyebrows and removed Joshua's      |
| hand on her to answer the call.   |
| "Mom."  |
| "Luna," rang Rosalyn's affectionate voice from the other end of the call.                             |
| "Have you eaten yet? Why don't you come and join us for breakfast if you haven't? Butler Fred had     |
| prepared a scrumptious breakfast earlier this morning. He said we haven't eaten together for a long   |
| time, and he even called Jim, asking him to return.   |
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"I thought I'd call you, too.If you haven't had your breakfast, come join us.If you've already had breakfast, you can still come over." Rosalyn could not help but sigh after she finished her sentence. "Butler Fred is very thoughtful. Your father and I have been bothered about the issue with Jim and Bonnie lately. You know it, too. "We can't keep the secret any longer. Jim will no doubt be mad at me when he finds out, so [thought that instead of letting him dislike me then, why don't I take this chance to talk to him? To let him know that I meant well." Luna's hand trembled slightly because of what Rosalyn said"Butler Fred took the time to prepare breakfast and called Jim to go home to have breakfast?' Her instincts told her that the breakfast could very well be a decoy. Butler Fred and Mickey tried to brainwash Luna for the past few days. They kept telling her that she was the real master of the Landry family, that they even stated that they would not mind putting up a fight with Jim for Luna if it was necessary.

Hence, they must be up to something to have arranged the breakfast.



| It was clear that this could have been Butler Fred and Mickey's idea to not let Joshua join. However,       |
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| since Rosalyn was the one who requested this, Luna did not wish to defy her.Nevertheless, Luna told         |
| Joshua everything after she hung up the phone.It was for her safety, after all.                             |
| "I still think you should come with me and wait for me outside.I'll bring a listening device so you can     |
| listen to everything that's happening inside."  |
| Joshua nodded and smoothed Luna's hair.   |
| "You're being more proactive now."  |
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| Joshua had thought Luna would share Rosalyn's sentiment in thinking that it should remain within their      |
| family and keep it from him.  |
| "Maybe there should be secrets between you and the Landry family, but I don't want to have any              |
| secrets between us both."   |
| Luna took a deep breath and looked at Joshua seriously.   |
| "I'm tired of suspicion and betrayal. After yesterday, I realized that there was a conflict between us, and |
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| the misunderstanding was because you weren't being truthful with me and my habit of being                      |
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| suspicious.  |
| "I know that from your point of view, you think that you don't have to tell me a lot of things, but"           |
| "I can try to control myself from being suspicious. Similarly, it isn't right to treat people the same way     |
| you don't like people treating you. Since I don't like your dishonesty and suspicion, the least I can do is    |
| to be honest with you so you don't have to suspect anything. That, I can do."                                  |
| Joshua furrowed his eyebrows tightly. He was quiet for a while before finally smiling at Luna.                 |
| "When did I say I can't be honest with you? It's just that sometimes, I think that telling you those things    |
| will just make you miserable like me."   |
| He reached out and pulled Luna into his arms.  |
| "I promise that I'll tell you everything that you want to know in the future.If there's anything that you like |
| to know, anything at all, I'll be honest with you."  |
| Joshua's voice and embrace made Luna's heart flutter with warmth. She took a deep breath and closed            |
| her eyes, grabbing Joshua's hand as she did.   |



manipulate. He had no better choice than her, and that was the only option he had. Jim seemed to have just returned when Luna entered the mansion. He was taking off his coat at the door when he turned and noticed Luna. His eyes were red-rimmed, she noted, but there was a smile on his face as he stared at her. "I thought you were already here." He had been taking care of Bonnie for the whole night and did not sleep well. When he received the call from Butler Fred, he waited no more and rushed back home. He thought that Luna was already here and everyone else was waiting for him. Despite being tired, he insisted on coming back. To his amazement, his dearest sister arrived later than him. "Hehe..." Luna smiled shyly as she raised her head to look at Jim. "Has Bonnie woken up?"

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Despite bearing a smile as he talked, Luna could see from his smile how desperate his heart was. At this moment, Luna wanted to tell him that Bonnie was indeed Number-9. All these years, the only woman that he felt intense remorse for was the same one all along! Regardless, Luna decided against it.It was not because she did not feel pity for Jim and Bonnie's relationship. The main reason was that she knew Bonnie would wake up after four days instead of dying as Jim thought.By then, all the sorrow and despair Jim felt would become astonishment and surprise. Moreover, Bonnie had kept her 'real Number-9' identity a secret all this while, and if Luna told Jim this, Bonnie might be bitter when she woke up. Having that thought in mind, Luna decided to keep her silence and pretended to know nothing. "What are you two talking about here?" Rosalyn, at this moment, spotted Luna and Him from across the dining room.

"Come on in! What secret are you two talking about? Can't your father and I hear it, too?"

Luna smiled and finally turned her gaze to Rosalyn.

| "Nothing.We were just talking."  |
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| After that, she walked into the dining room and sat beside Rosalyn.                                    |
| "Mother is right.We haven't been eating as a whole family for a long time."                            |
| If Bonnie was not in this condition, their family would have gathered during Jim and Bonnie's wedding. |
| AlasLuna sighed again and said nothing when she thought of Bonnie.                                     |
| Rosalyn did not pay much attention to Luna's feelings.She grabbed Luna's hand and kept on asking       |
| about her grandchildren.   |
| Then, she turned her head to look at Jim.  |
| "How's Bonnie doing?"  |
| Jim curled his lips into a smile and repeated what he told Luna.                                       |
| After knowing the whole story, Rosalyn lamented, "Actually, you don't have to think of the worst-case  |
| scenario.There's still a possibility that we can save Bonnie from dying."                              |
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| "Perhaps Bonnie may miraculously wake up after four days instead of dying."                            |
| Jim sneered at Rosalyn's question.   |

| "Mother, you know I never believe in miracles; those illusory things are a distant concept to         |
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| me.Moreover"  |
| He lowered his eyes while peeking at Butler Fred, who was arranging for the maids to serve the dishes |
| with intention.   |
| "I listened to you and asked Christopher to come back.I thought he could help me to manufacture an    |
| antidote for Bonnie, but I didn't expect"   |
| He squinted, and there was hatred in his eyes while he looked at Butler Fred.                         |
| "I didn't expect someone would use the problem with Christopher's mental state to trigger his mental  |
| illness.Now, Christopher has gone crazy and nearly killed me in the process.A person who has lost     |
| their sanity couldn't possibly manufacture the antidote."   |
| Jim closed his eyes and sighed.   |
| "If Bonnie dies, I'll never forgive those people behind all this!"                                    |
| At that moment, Luna spotted how Butler Fred trembled slightly.                                       |
| Mickey, who was holding a tray heading toward them, nearly fell as his legs wobbled.                  |

| If Luna and Joshua were only assuming that Butler Fred and Mickey were the ones who pretended to      |
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| be Bonnie and wrote the letter to Bonnie yesterday, then with the reaction of Butler Fred and Mickey, |
| Luna and Joshua could be certain that their suspicion was correct.                                    |
| Butler Fred and Mickey were the ones who wrote that letter to Christopher!                            |
| "Don't be so negative."   |
| Rosalyn sighed and looked deeply into Jim's eyes.   |
| "Don't worry; Bonnie won't die.I can promise you that.However, Jim did not understand the real        |
| meaning behind it.  |
| "I'll accept this as your blessing, Mother."  |
| With that, he took the cup of coffee from the table and finished it in one go.                        |
| Soon, the table was full of dishes.   |
| Rosalyn was right.  |
| Butler Fred did prepare a scrumptious family breakfast for all of them.                               |
| The last time Luna had eaten such a lavish breakfast was one year ago, when she first arrived at the  |
| Landry Mansion and reunited with her parents.   |



Rosalyn sighed and looked at Luna solemnly.

"I was the one who arranged it."

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Luna's hand that hovered over her cutleries froze the second she heard Rosalyn speak. She looked up and was dumbfounded by what Rosalyn said. Her face was so stiff that she could not force her expression to fall into normalcy.

'How is that possible? From the investigation result Joshua received, the people behind it were Butler Fred and Mickey. The timing matches when Granny Lynch was poisoned, and Mickey left Landry Mansion to go back to his hometown. I refuse to believe that Mother was the one who did it"

Luna thought and she raised her head subconsciously to look at Butler Fred and Mickey.

Perhaps Butler Fred never thought Luna would suddenly look at him because all this while, he stared at

Rosalyn with a peculiarly pleasant gaze as though elated his plan had worked.

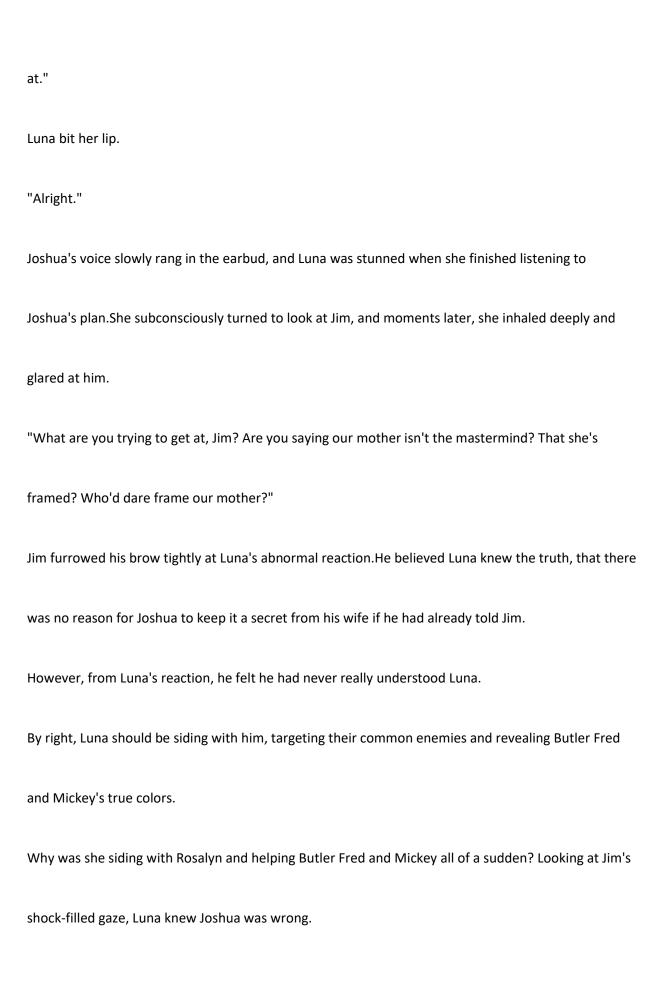
Suddenly, he sensed that Luna was looking at him, and he quickly turned his body slightly to meet

Luna's eyes. He was caught off-guard for only a moment before he offered her a flattering smile, one

| that made Luna feel uneasy.  |
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| She took a deep breath and bit her lip before she lowered her head to continue her breakfast.              |
| Jim looked at Rosalyn as he curled up his lips remotely.   |
| "Mother, I know you're a kind woman. Maybe you'd take the blame for the things that you didn't do and      |
| put it on yourself for some reason, but"   |
| Jim looked at Luna, then at Butler Fred, and finally gazed at Rosalyn once more.                           |
| "In this case, Ihope you won't take the blame for this because you have a soft heart. Think about it"      |
| He paused for a while.   |
| "Granny Lynch is Joshua's grandmother and my biological mother's mother.We didn't want to pursue           |
| this further because you're my foster mother and Luna's mother. Yes, the poison that Granny Lynch had      |
| is somehow related to you, but we're not willing to talk about this when we haven't investigated the truth |
| behind it, so I don't understand why you're doing this now."   |
| He sneered, and for once, he was less respectful to Rosalyn.   |
| "Are you insisting on taking the blame and making me and Luna feel embarrassed? Or are you trying to       |

| sabotage the relationship between Luna GFm,_sMI Joshua because you think they're now in a good                    |
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| stage?"   |
| Rosalyn nearly dropped the cutleries she was holding as she felt how sharp and ruthless these                     |
| questions were aimed at her.  |
| Although she knew and understood why Jim would ask those questions, butShe took a deep breath.                    |
| "I just want to tell you the truth, that's all.If you still think of me as your mother, think of our family, then |
| don't ever talk about this anymore.Let it rot in hell.But if you insist on investigating it, then let it be       |
| known that I was the one who did it.It had nothing to do with anyone else."                                       |
| Luna could not help but make eye contact with Jim.  |
| Both of them understood the situation very clearly.   |
| Rosalyn would not have brought this up inexplicably; someone must have talked her into it.                        |
| Thus, summing up how Butler Fred and Mickey took the time to prepare breakfast today                              |
| Luna had every right to suspect that Butler Fred and Mickey must have known that Joshua and Jim                   |
| were investigating the truth.   |

| They realized that the truth would unveil soon, so they deliberately went to Rosalyn to have this           |
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| moment.   |
| Rosalyn was a kind woman and placed immense trust in Butler Fred and Mickey.                                |
| As long as they played the pity game with crocodile tears and said something to persuade her, Rosalyn       |
| would not bear to punish them, thus shouldering the blame entirely on her own.                              |
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| Going through all those thoughts internally, Luna secretly pressed the mic on her collar and                |
| communicated with Joshua.   |
| "What should we do?"  |
| Joshua's calm, steady voice was heard from the concealed earbud.  |
| "I think we were too late; they've taken a step ahead of us.Still, it's okay."                              |
| His low voice was very remote.  |
| "Mother-in-law would never discover Butler Fred and Mickey's real identities if they don't fool her         |
| once.Just follow the things I say, and don't hint at Jim.I'm sure he'll understand what we're trying to get |



Jim did not guess her real purpose and even thought that she had changed. However, she could not possibly tell Jim the truth at this point. She sneered while looking at Jim. "Why? Cat got your tongue? Or you can't think of any other excuses?" She looked at Jim remotely in a glance and then looked at Rosalyn again. "Just ignore him, Mother.Let's continue with our breakfast.It's been a long time since we've gathered." She even helped to place more food onto Rosalyn's plate. However, before Luna could finish placing the food onto Rosalyn's plate, Jim curled up his lips coldly slammed his cutleries onto the table. "What are you saying, Luna? Don't forget that Granny Lynch is Joshua's grandmother! If you want to be with Joshua, you shouldn't allow Mother to take this fault! "Do you think there isn't enough misunderstanding and conflicts between you and Joshua?" Luna snorted at Jim's outburst as she, too, slammed her cutleries to the table. "Jim Landry, I hope you'll remember the torment your grandmother, Granny Lynch, had done to us!"

"Do you really think Granny Lynch isn't guilty of Uncle Colin Landry's death, even when the Quinn family had instigated everything? How many times has our business nearly entered into bankruptcy because of the Lynch family? Which of these had nothing to do with Granny Lynch? "She even sent an assassin to kill Father and Mother! Mother only sent someone to poison her in Banyan City, and she didn't die right away. Granny Lynch even lived for many years ahead even after being poisoned, didn't she?" Luna sneered halfway through the conversation. "Now that the feud between our family and the Lynch family is solved, are you not willing to admit the things that happened? If Mother said she did it, then she did it. No one is worthy enough that Mother would shoulder the blame for them, isn't that right?" She looked at Rosalyn's face seriously. "Mother, am I right?" Rosalyn's face looked terrible as she looked at Luna's sincere face.

Somehow, she managed to muster a weak smile.



| Lynch family.If that's the case, I won't be coming here anymore.I've found my mother's grave, met my |
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| half-brother, got Joshua with me, too.I have no reason to return here anymore."                      |
| With that, Jim left, his legs taking him in large strides.   |
| Rosalyn looked at Jim's back and bit her lip.  |
| "Jim"  |
| "I'll go take a look."   |
| Charles sighed and went after Jim, noticing the look of panic on Rosalyn's face.                     |
| No matter what happened, Jim would also be his son. If Jim had a conflict with Rosalyn and Luna, he  |
| should be the middleman.   |
| "Father!"  |
| After just taking a few steps, however, Luna stopped Charles from leaving. She lowered her head and  |
| continued to have her breakfast while looking at Jim's retreating form remotely.                     |
| "Don't go after him.He already said he's not a Landry, so he won't come back here anymore.Why do     |
| you need to go after him? It'll be just a waste of time and energy."                                 |

Luna then continued to enjoy her breakfast and urged Rosalyn and Charles to continue eating, much to Charles' bewilderment. He looked at Luna, puzzled, before he gazed at Rosalyn again.

"What's going on? Luna and Jim weren't like this before at all!"

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'How did it turn out like this? They were only back for just a bit" Charles thought.

It was just yesterday that Luna posted a photo of her, Jim, and Bonnie on her social media account. She even wrote a post, hoping that Bonnie would wake up quickly so her dearest brother would no longer be alone.

How did this 'dearest brother' become an outsider just overnight? Charles sighed as he looked at Rosalyn.

Finally, he sat back down on the chair. It was not that he listened to Luna and decided not to go after Jim, but he remembered how Jim never wanted anyone to show up to him when he was in a bad mood, so it was not a good choice to go look after Jim right now. It was better to leave him alone.

The breakfast was awkward after the little fight they had.

Everyone entertained their thoughts and was rather absent- minded during their meal.

| After breakfast, Charles suggested bringing Rosalyn to the garden for a walk to ease her mood.          |
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| "I'll go with Luna.You can go ahead and do whatever you wish."  |
| Rosalyn rejected his offer with a smile and waved her hand at Luna.                                     |
| "Do you mind accompanying me for a while?"  |
| Luna was stunned but nonetheless nodded. She went behind Rosalyn and gently pushed her                  |
| wheelchair as they made their way to the garden.  |
| "You two, come with us," instructed Rosalyn faintly when they walked past Butler Fred and Mickey.       |
| Butler Fred and Mickey looked at each other and followed Luna and Rosalyn to the garden behind the      |
| mansion, their expressions looking rather sour.   |
| Rosalyn, seated in the wheelchair, gazed at the man-made mountain and stream, her lips curled into a    |
| faint smile.  |
| "I'm grateful, Luna.Thank you for believing in me."   |
| She looked at the mountain, which was at a far distance, while her thoughts seemed to fly over the fake |
| mountain to a place far far away.   |



| Rosalyn smiled faintly as she then turned to look at Butler Fred and Mickey, who both stood behind her. |
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| "You two! It's about time for you to tell the truth."   |
| Butler Fred and Mickey kneeled at the same time, with Butler Fred burying his head into his arms.       |
| "Mickey and I did it, but"  |
| He sighed while speaking remorsefully and self-deprecatingly, "There's a reason why we did it."         |
| "On that year, Ma'am, during a time she was intoxicated, said she wanted to poison Granny Lynch."       |
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| Butler Fred's voice became hoarse and smoky as he continued, "  |
| Ma'am has always been a person of her word.   |
| Since she said she wanted to poison Granny Lynch when she was drunk, I thought she meant it for         |
| real.   |
| "Hence"   |
| Butler Fred stayed quiet for a moment and looked deeply into Luna's eyes.                               |
| "Hence, Mickey and I had followed through with her order secretly.After many years, Ma'am had never     |

| asked us about the process of poison, and we, in turn, never reported back to her. After all, it was an |
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| offensive and harmful thing."   |
| Luna's face turned pale instantly after listening to Butler Fred's explanation as she quietly wrung her |
| hands together under the table.   |
| Shivers ran across her skin.  |
| 'Sothat's the truth? Is this all there is to it? Mother was the one who said she wanted to poison       |
| Granny Lynch to Butler Fred and Mickey when she was drunk, so that's why they"                          |
| Luna's head could not process the truth.  |
| "Don't fall prey to their words so easily," rang Joshua's voice from the concealed earbud just as Luna  |
| nearly fell into the answer.  |
| "If it happened as Butler Fred said, they only followed the order from your mother's drunken            |
| words. What evidence do they have to prove it?"   |
| Luna's heart felt less burdened upon hearing this. She took a deep breath and looked at Butler Fred     |
| and Mickey.   |

| "Butler Fred, I know you're very loyal to the family, but I can't believe your words solely like that. You |
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| said you did what you did because my mother ordered you and Mickey to poison Granny Lynch when             |
| she was drunk, but do you have evidence to prove it? If there's no evidence, I'd assume you're just        |
| saying things."  |

The air in the garden suddenly grew dense as Butler Fred, Mickey, and Rosalyn looked at Luna together in disbelief.

First of all, Rosalyn never expected Luna to request evidence from Butler Fred and Mickey.

Secondly, Butler Fred and Mickey never thought Luna could be so sensitive with details.

After a moment of silence, Rosalyn was the one to break the ice, "Luna, Butler Fred and Mickey have been working for us for nearly thirty years. They've proven their loyalty to me never did anything bad to me.I believe that they wouldn't fabricate the truth out of thin air. After all..."

Rosalyn sighed.

"More than twenty years ago, I had a hard time due to your father's illness and you being lost. During that time, Granny Lynch was relentless with the attacks to destroy the Landry Group. I was very tired at that time, so there's a possibility that I might've said something about killing Granny Lynch."

After all these years, Rosalyn had never doubted Butler Fred and Mickey's loyalty.

They had been with her through all kinds of experiences all these years.

Thus, no matter what happened, she would never suspect them.

However, Luna did not think so. She took a deep breath.

"I only believe the evidence when I see it. Words can be fabricated, and without any evidence, Butler

Fred can just say that he only killed a person because it was an order from you or even Father. I won't believe him just because he said that is the truth."