

Rejected Protector Chapter 74- The End

It's been two years since the supernatural world had what, by all accounts, was a civil war orchestrated by pure evil. A lot of good came out of the war. The shifter community is more united and stronger than ever. The groups are no longer separated, well, not completely. Everyone still has their own set of rules and cultures, but we all serve under one king. We all come together yearly for a leaders/alphas meeting at the palace. This gives us leaders a chance to network and build or strengthen alliances. It also gives female warriors a chance to dress and get dolled up. Every year, Rose, Mona, Talia, Lacey, Francis, Violetta, and I meet the week before the conference to go shopping. Not that we need much of an excuse to meet up. We get together as much as possible anyway. Our males like to hang out with each other as well.

The circle of ten still meets up as a group at my old pack for our birthday every year. Even though we are all grown and mated, alpha Connor likes to continue the tradition of celebrating 10 healthy births back-to-back.

This year, we have even more to celebrate; all of us are pregnant and are due near the same time. The funny thing is that we didn't plan it this way. It just happened. Jarvis called Garnett to tell him the news, and before Jarvis could say anything, Garnett told Jarvis that Rose was pregnant. The next day, Jarvis got a call from Trevor. Yep, Lacey is pregnant. The twins had already made an announcement during dinner last night. Julian linked me and told me that Violetta was also expecting. It definitely was something in the air. The men didn't know that we had already told each other the news as soon as we found out. I'm just waiting for Francis and Mona to make their announcements.

Although the twins made a public announcement, the rest of us agreed to wait for the night of the party to formally announce our pregnancies. The party is next week. Jarvis is both excited and nervous. Like every typical alpha, Jarvis is overprotective of me and our pup to the point of getting on my last nerves. He doesn't even like for me to walk down the stairs by myself. At this point, even Tamaska is getting tired of him and Onyx.

We leave for my old pack tomorrow. Jarvis and I are going to the healers today for our first check-up and scan. We haven't decided if we want to know the sex of the pup yet. I think Tamaska knows. She and Onyx are being very secretive about the pup. Jarvis was adamant that we see the healer before we

travel. No matter how much I tell him it is safe to travel, he wants to hear it from Dr. Sams, the pack's long-time healer.

We get to the clinic and get checked in.

"Come on in alpha and luna." Dr. Sams says. "How have things been going, Luna? Any morning sickness or swelling?"

"No, Dr. Sams. No issues. The morning sickness has been very mild. Tamaska has been very picky about what I eat and I guess that is helping. She is being a real mother wolf right now. I don't know who is worse, her or Jarvis."

"Hey, I heard that." Tamaska links.

"I know," I replied.

"That's not uncommon, especially with the first pup. Everyone tends to be a little overprotective. Just wait till you have this bundle. You are going to be just as bad as the rest of them. You probably won't let anyone hold your pup for the first few days."

"My mom told me that. She said she was that way about me. My dad couldn't even hold me for the first week."

"Have you all decided if you want to know the se.x yet?"

"We still haven't decided so for now, we will just wait," Jarvis said.

"Ok, alpha, I'm going to step out and grab the equipment. Luna, go ahead and get on the bed. Pull your top to the bottom of your b.ra and pull your pants down under your stomach."

Dr. Sams walks out of the room. Jarvis helps me climb up on the bed and get comfortable. I can't wait to see our little bean. Jarvis pulls a chair and sits next to me and Dr. Sams comes back into the room with the nurse and ultrasound machine.

"This is going to be a little cold Luna." Dr. Sams says as he puts the gel on my stomach. "There we go. There is the little pup. Hum. Ok, that's unexpected."

"What is it? What's wrong, Dr. Sams?" I ask, grabbing Jarvis' hand.

"Is there something wrong with our pup?" Jarvis asks.

"Hold on Alpha and luna. I just need to double-check something." Dr. Sams says while staring at the screen.

"Tamaska, can you sense if something is wrong?"

"Relax Lettie. Everything is perfect." Tamaska says, looking smug.

"What do you know T?"

"You'll find out soon enough." Tamaska says and ends our conversation.

I'm here trying not to panic and Tamaska is wagging her tail in excitement. She knows something. I can see Onyx looking through Jarvis' eyes. Now I'm convinced that those two know something. I just don't know if it is good or bad.

"Dr. Sams, I am trying not to freak out. Can you please tell us what is going on? Is there something wrong?"

"Sorry to worry you, luna. I just needed to be sure before I tell you. Alpha, it is a good thing you are already sitting down."

"Just spit it out, Dr. Sams," Jarvis says.

"Alpha, Luna, you are having twins. There are two pups in there. Here, look at the monitor. There is pup A and here is pup B."

Jarvis and I look at the screen in awe. We are having two pups instead of one. Our pups are hugging each other. They look so sweet.

"Well, little mate, I guess we need to do more baby shopping," Jarvis says with a huge smile.

"Dr. Sams, are the pups healthy? Will it be safe for Seleste to travel?"

"The pups are perfectly fine. Luna Seleste will be able to do all of her normal activities for the next couple of months. Flying is perfectly safe at this stage. When she is closer to delivering, I would advise against it, but for now, it is ok."

"Thank you, doctor."

Dr. Sams printed off a copy of the ultrasound for us to keep.

It's the day of the party. We got to my old pack this morning and spent the day with my parents. We decided we will wait until the party to tell my parents we are having twins. They are going to be so surprised to hear that they will have two grand pups instead of one. We found out that alpha Connor and my dad are finally retiring. Although Trevor graduated from the academy early, alpha Connor still made him wait two years to take over the pack. He is going to surprise Trevor tonight and announce that he will have his alpha and luna ceremony tomorrow. My cousin from the royal pack will become the gamma of our pack. He is the royal gamma's youngest son. He and Trevor met and hit it off while Trevor was at the academy. Trevor asked him if he would move to our pack and be his gamma. Everyone thought that was a great idea. He fit perfectly into our group. He even met his mate in my old pack. You can say it was fate.

We all get dressed and head to the venue. It feels just like old times. The ten of us, our mates, and our other friends are sitting at an extra-long table in the center of the venue in front of the stage. After everyone had the chance to mingle and eat. Alpha Connor gets up and walks to the podium as usual.

"Greeting everyone. It is yet another year for us to come together and celebrate the baby boom our pack leaders experienced 21 years ago. The goddess has blessed them with continued prosperity and health. I am proud to announce that my son Trevor, your future alpha, and his mate Lacey, your future luna, are expecting their first pup."

The crowd goes crazy cheering for their future alpha. The line will continue.

"That's not all. Gamma True has told me that Alpha Jarvis and Luna Seleste are also expecting their first pup."

"Two," Jarvis says loudly.

"What was that son?" Alpha Connor asked.

"We're expecting two pups. Seleste is having twins." Jarvis says with a smile, looking at my parents.

My mom jumps up and runs to me. She and Jarvis' mom hugged me.

"Umm moms, I can't breathe."

They let me go and walk back to their seats.

“Well, that is definitely good news, and the good news continues to flow. Luna Rose, our beta’s daughter, and Alpha Garnett, are also expecting.”

The crowd started cheering again.

“Ok, I’m trying to get through the announcements.” Alpha Connor says. “I have just been informed that our future Beta Ben and future beta female Mona are also expecting and as you already know, my lead warriors and hunters and their mate Talia are also expecting.”

The crowd now is just out of control.

“I guess I should just ask, is there anyone at that table that is not expecting?” Alpha Connor says laughing.

We all looked around. Everyone looked at Julian, and I just smiled.

“Well, I guess that means our Crown Prince and Princess of the vampire kingdom are also expecting.”

“Yes, we are,” Julian says with a smile.

“Well, my fellow pack members, it looks like we are experiencing another baby boom. Congratulations to all the future parents and grandparents.” Alpha Connor says. “I have one last announcement. As you all know. A little over three years ago, our future alpha made some questionable decisions and was sent to the alpha academy for 2 years. He graduated with honors in less than a year and has proven himself to be a great general in our kingdom. I also believe he is a great alpha for our pack. Over the last year, Trevor has been doing most of the alpha duties and running all of our businesses. As of tomorrow, Trevor will officially take over as Alpha and Lacey as Luna. We will hold their alpha and luna ceremony at sunset, just as the moon rises. Congratulations, son, you have earned it.”

I was so excited to be there for Lacey and Trevor. Lacey didn’t realize she had already picked out her luna ceremony dress on our last shopping trip. We made her try on a lot of dressing, and she fell in love with this white lace dress. She said it would be a perfect ceremony dress, but she wouldn’t buy it because she didn’t know when her ceremony would be. Mona, Rose, and I had the salesperson pack it in a separate bag so she wouldn’t know we got it.

I'm also excited that we were able to get her mother and favorite brother to be at her ceremony. We didn't even bother with her father. He still does not deserve to be in her life.

The ceremony was beautiful. It reminded me of my ceremony. Jarvis's parents also surprised me with my ceremony. Jarvis surprised all of us and asked me to marry him right then and there, since we were already engaged, it worked out perfectly. My Luna ceremony was also my wedding ceremony.

Trevor did the same for Lacey. They are now married and mated alpha and luna. Trevor said that he wanted Lacey in every way possible and wanted the world to know that she was his. Lacey's mom and brother moved to her pack. Her brother will still work with the king, and be an elite warrior for the pack. He will take Lacey's place on my protector team. Now we just need to find him a mate.

Time seemed to move fast after returning to our pack. A month after we returned, my parents moved into our pack. My dad wanted to stay with my old back long enough to get my cousin settled into the role of gamma and ensure that the pack still ran smoothly, and the warriors were still in top shape. I tried to get my parents to travel and enjoy retirement, but my mother refused to leave until after her grandpups were born. So three months after my parents moved into our pack, they became the proud grandparents of two healthy pups; a girl and a boy. Both of them had a mark on their shoulders. Their marks differed from mine. It was not the traditional protector mark and as of now; we didn't know what it meant. Tamaska said mother moon will let us know when the time is right. Both the moon goddess and Gabriel have been to see the twins several times. Gabriel was so happy when he learned my daughter was named Eliora. We named her that to honor the light Gabriel blessed me with. My son's name is Elon. It also means light. The moon goddess said that the twins will keep the light in the world.

The end.