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Chapter 1641

"I've already forgiven you," Erica answered calmly.

"Then why are you marrying someone else?" Jacob asked with pain, feeling as if his heart was being cut open.

Erica has never seen Jacob in such pain.

His lingering love for her tugged at her heartstrings.

"I truly forgave you, but it's also true that I don't love you anymore," Erica continued.

How could she forgive all the pain and mistrust if she was still in love?

Jacob was shocked.

"You can't do this... Erica, I beg you, you can't have me fall for you for sixteen years and then abandon me, what am I supposed to do? I... I can't go on without you!"

Jacob couldn't hold back his tears anymore, they poured down like rain.

Erica lowered her gaze.

She realized that seeing Jacob sobbing in front of her wasn't making her happy or satisfy

"Jacob, you're a great guy, we're just not right for each other. Larkin treats me well, I'm happy every day with him, this is the life I want. I believe... you'll also find someone who will make you happy, and your family will love her too. Let's not drag this on, it's better for both of us."

"I can't do that!" Jacob cried out in agony. "Can't we try again?"

He pleaded with Erica.

Erica shook her head without hesitation, "No, I'm sorry"

Jacob felt a wave of pain, as if he couldn't breathe.

"Here's your invitation, if you want to come and bless me and Larkin, you're welcome to." Erica took out an invitation and pushed it in front of Jacob

On her ring finger, she wore an antique ring, it was beautiful.

The ring fit perfectly on her finger.

Jacob suddenly remembered, a long long time ago, Erica also put a ring on his finger.

She said, she personally chose the gemstone, and she made the ring herself.

Back then they were both young, they only had eyes for each other.

Where did that ring go?

Jacob felt a splitting headache, he remembered, when he saw a photo of Erica kissing another man, he angrily took off the ring and threw it into the river. After he removed the ring.

Erica didn't ask, but, she never wore her ring again.

Jacob remained silent.

Erica had nothing else to say.

She got up to leave.

"The ring..." Jacob's voice choked up.

Erica instinctively glanced at her wedding ring, then asked, "This is Larkin's family heirloom, is there a problem?"

The Strand family was also an influential family.

Jacob's mother also had a family heirloom ring to pass on to her daughter-in-law.

His throat tasted bittersweet.

"I mean, the rings we made when we were eighteen... where's your ring?" Jacob lowered his head, not daring to look at Erica.

Erica was taken aback.

Pain shot through her pinky finger like a needle.

When she made those rings that year, she accidentally pricked her little finger, injuring a nerve. From then on, her pinky finger lost its flexibility.

"I threw it away" Erica answered calmly

But in reality, she didn't throw the ring away

Everything related to Jacob, she kept well

Since their last goodbye.

She never went back to her place, so those things are still there.

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"You wouldn't dare to throw it away" Jacob stated confidently as he pleadingly looked at Erica, "Give it to me, would you?" Erica bowed her head, then spoke firmly, "Since I'm getting married. I've obviously got rid of everything related to your Jacob would have his own wife

She thought to herself, is it really cool to keep stuff from exes? That's not fair to the other girl

"Erica"

Suddenly, an angry scolding echoed through the room,

Jacob stiffened, immediately stood up and turned around

The elders of the Strand family had arrived

Mrs Strand's face was pale, her hair not as elegant as usual

She stormed towards them

Before anyone could react, she slapped Erica across the face

“Mam

Erica

The glass door on the other side was pushed open.

Larkin, Rosalynn, Wayne, and Orval Carter rushed over

“Mom, what are you doing?” Jacob grabbed Mrs. Strand’s hand, stepping in front of Erica.

“You’re asking me what I’m doing? I should be asking you what you’re up to? Didn’t I say this is all her scheme?” Mrs. Strand yelled angrily, “She’s forcing you into marriage with this

“Erica, are you okay? Larkin asked Erica nervously.

Seeing her swollen cheek, he felt both heartbroken and angry.

“I’m fine” Erica held Larkin’s hand.

“Jacob, move aside.” Erica then told Jacob.

“Erica”

“Move” Erica’s tone became cold

Jacob still held his mother’s hand but obediently stepped aside.

Mrs. Strand glared at Erica hatefully, but before she could insult her, Erica raised her hand and slapped her hard on the cheek.

For a moment, the room was silent.

“You’ve slapped me three times and insulted my mother. Given your age and weak heart, I’m only returning this one slap” “Erica” Mrs. Strand shrieked

The other members of the Strand family also realized what had just happened, and they were all furious, eager to rush forward and confront Erica. If the Strand family wants to cut ties with the Carter family, let’s clear it up right here and now! We’re ready for whatever Orval also said angrily.

“Don’t you guys understand the situation? Don’t you care about her scandals? Aren’t you afraid of your reputations?” Jacob’s father asked angrily, “You all saw it, she hit an elder in public!”

“Elders?” Larkin sneered, “You’re worthy to be her elders?”

“Exactly! What’s more, it was your unreasonable family member who hit my aunt first! My aunt only retaliated once, and she didn’t even hit hard, she’s already being very gracious!” Orval chimed in.

Erica stood behind Larkin.

Even though her cheek hurt, a smile tugged at her lips.

The day Jacob’s mother came to her house and hit her, she tried to reason with her. However, Jacob’s mother started to insult Erica’s mother

Erica’s mother had passed away long ago, but she doted on Erica when she was alive.

Erica couldn’t stand her mother being insulted, so she fought back.

At this moment, Jacob returned

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Jacob just turned a blind eye to Erica’s swollen cheeks and let loose a barrage of accusations against her. At that time, Erica was filled with fear and confusion.

But now, when the same thing happened, with Larkin by her side, Erica no longer felt fear and confusion.

“Mrs. Strand,” Erica stepped out from behind Larkin, “Are you worried that I’m gonna get back with Jacob again? To be honest, before I started dating Larkin, there might still be a chance for that. But when I realized that being with Jacob means dealing with someone as difficult as you, I gave up on that idea completely. I’m here to see Jacob today because you guys can’t keep him on a leash, he’s way too out of line. Relax, Larkin and I are married, and our wedding date is coming up. Me and Jacob, just like you wanted, we’re done, forever”

With that, Erica turned to Jacob, “Now do you get it, why I chose Larkin over you?”

Jacob went as white as a sheet

“Let’s go.”

Erica didn’t need his response.

Larkin's expression remained grim, he took one last glance at the Strand family, then walked away with Erica.

Rosalynn looked at Erica with guilt in her eyes.

Erica just smiled and shook her head at her.

Even though she got slapped, Erica was surprisingly in high spirits today.

All the way, Orval kept muttering, "Erica, just forget about Jacob. It's best if he gets infuriated. Look at his family, who cares about your good intentions?"

The elders of the Strand family heard everything loud and clear, and their expressions turned extremely unpleasant.

The Carter family might look like your average Joe, but they're generations of medical masters, never missing a generation. The young ones are all ace doctors. A lot of big shots go to the Carter family to treat their chronic illnesses.

Especially Larkin.

He may be an antique dealer, but all his companies are related to modern medicine.

If you really piss off the Carter family, you can't even imagine where and by whom you'd get tripped up.

So even though the Carter family appeared like an ordinary households, in reality, not many dare to cross the Carter family, domestic or abroad. Rosalynn and Wayne walked in the back, taking a glance at the Strand family

"Wayne... Graham Strand, Jacob's father wanted to say something

"You guys really crossed the line, Wayne said coldly, "Miss Erica's wedding is coming up, and you guys hurt her face. That's not right."

Everyone in the Strand family was stunned.

Everyone knew that Wayne had tried to kill Erica multiple times, and now he was defending her

"It was you, wasn't it?" Mrs. Strand's gaze fell on Rosalynn, "I remember you and Erica were close..."

"Mrs. Strand, have you lost your mind?" Rosalynn cut her off impatiently, "How dare you point your finger at me?"

Mrs. Strand had only met Rosalynn twice, both times when Jacob was seriously injured.

Rosalynn was very polite and gentle.

Mrs. Strand even started to believe that Rosalynn was indeed such a pushover

“Jacob, I understand that your family is not happy with Erica, but bullying her to this extent is way out of line. I don’t get it, why would you side with them? Erica had no one to turn to, she only had you before, but what did you do?”

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After saying all that, Rosalynn took Wayne’s hand and headed towards Erica.

Jacob just stood there, frozen.

Rosalynn’s last question had hit him like a slap in the face.

He suddenly remembered the many times Erica looked at him with a face full of hurt and helplessness when she came back.

“Jacob, dont listen to their nonsense! If Erica really wants to marry Larkin, let her! She's not good enough for you anyway!” Mrs Strand said angrily, clutching her chest.

Jacob looked at Mrs. Strand numbly, “Did you insult Erica’s mother last time?”

Mrs. Strand was taken aback, “I was just stating facts, wasn’t her mother a home wrecker?”

Jacob felt a pang in his heart

Faced with the stern faces of his elders, he suddenly felt his own behavior was ridiculously absurd.

He had once told Rosalynn confidently that he could leave these people. But when these people were really in front of him, he couldn’t even say a harsh word

In Jacob’s mind, he saw Larkin protecting Erica firmly

And then there was Orval, a member of Larkin’s family. His attitude probably represented the attitude of the Carter family.

“It’s me who’s not good enough for Erica” Jacob’s frail figure seemed to falter, his eyes red, he said slowly.

“Jacob...Mrs. Strand had never seen him like this.

In her eyes, her son Jacob had always been the proudest person

“You’ll get what you want, but the old Jacob is gone.” After saying this, Jacob looked in the direction where Erica had left.

His eyes were complicated, full of reluctance and heartbreak. But the person he had been thinking about was no longer there. Jacob sadly looked away, ignoring the conversation around him.

He turned and walked out of the café like a soulless zombie, ignoring his elders, into the sunlight outside

But... why did he still feel so cold despite the warm sunlight?

Jacob looked up at the clear sky.

In the future, whether it’s sunny or rainy, Erica won’t be by his side anymore.

Larkin prepared a medicine pack for Erica for her swelling face, frowning as he sat beside her, massaging her cheek.

“Erica, I’m sorry.” Rosalynn said sincerely.

“What are you apologizing for? You couldn’t have stopped the Strand family from coming, could you?” Erica laughed, paused for a moment, then cheerfully said, “Besides, I slapped that old hag Mrs. Strand today it felt so good!”

“Erica, you’re really brave, but just imagine, your dark history is about to add another line-assaulting the elderly!” Orval sat on a bench nearby, looking amazed.

“Do I look scared?” Erica raised her head, looking fearless..

But the smug look on her face pulled on her injury. She winced, then gasped.

“Slow down!” Larkin hastily said.

I’m fine... Erica smiled at him.

“Your face is swollen.” Larkin’s anger had not subsided yet.

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Larkin’s fury was for the slap Erica had received today, and also for the two she got the last time he wasn’t around.

Just then, a servant hurried in.

“Mrs. Carter’s family has arrived at the hotel.”

The smile on Erica's face slowly faded, and she clearly became nervous. She looked at Larkin, "Did you really invite all my family

"Mhmm." Larkin nodded, "I promised you, didn't I?"

Erica was speechless

She thought he was just joking

Larkin had said before that he had invited her family, and she was half in doubt.

But they actually showed up.

"I have arranged for someone to pick them up." Larkin continued, "Your face is still swollen, so don't go meet them yet"

"Okay" Erica nodded.

Rosalynn sensed Erica's unease.

After Larkin finished applying the medicine to Erica, Rosalynn pulled Erica aside and asked, "Why are you so nervous about your family being here?" Erica was a bit upset. "It's been a long time, I guess I'm a bit anxious,"

But that wasn't the whole story

Erica had seen the guest list Larkin made. "Kelly Shields" name was clearly on it.

But Kelly had successfully become their father Calvert's favorite successor.

"With Larkin around, are you worried about them bullying you?" Rosalynn patted Erica's back comfortingly, "Your main task now is to get your face better. Mrs. Strand, that wicked old lady, knowing you're getting married, but she still slapped your face. She's just too much."

-Erica sneered, "Mrs. Strand of course wants me to get married, but not to Larkin. She'd rather me marry a notorious scumbag or a nobody."

"Is Mrs. Strand really that bad?" Rosalynn furrowed her eyebrows.

"Can I tell you a secret that nobody knows?" Erica lowered her voice and moved closer to Rosalynn.

"Go ahead."

"Actually, my mom and Mrs. Strand were classmates."

"What?" Rosalynn was shocked.

I only found out when Jacob was in trouble. Apparently, in college, they both fell for the same guy in their department. But then the guy chose my mom, and Mrs. Strand was devastated." Erica sighed, "Sadly, that guy turned out to be a jerk. My mom got hurt because of him, and then she met my dad while trekking in the R Country."

Like all cheesy stories begin. A rich man, hiding the fact that he was already married, deceived a pure woman who was deeply hurt.

Half a year after they fell in love, she discovered his true identity, and the fact that he was already married with three kids.

She chose to break up immediately.

But on the day she proposed to break up, she fainted in front of him and was rushed to the hospital

She was pregnant.

Her beliefs didn't allow her to have an abortion, so, Erica was born.

"Although my mom's life turned into hell after she was with that man, Mrs. Strand's resentment didn't fade with her miserable life and early death. On the contrary, when Mrs. Strand found out I was dating Jacob, she doubled her resentment towards me." Erica leaned against the window, looking at the clear sky outside.

"It's unfair for you to bear the grudges of the older generation Rosalynn said solemnly

"Yes, it's a pity." Erica looked at Rosalynn, "But, not everyone is as kind as you?"

Rosalynn was like Kelly, the sister Erica used to rely on a lot when she was young

But that always nice Kelly, one day suddenly turned into a scary woman who wanted to send Erica to a disgusting man.

If it wasn't for the fact that Erica hadn't completely passed out that day and escaped while the man was taking a shower....

She would have been doomed....

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Later, Erica confronted Kelly, and the answer she got was...

"Do you know how loaded that guy is? Just one night with him, and I could land a contract worth three million. You messed up my plant

"Do you really think I'd sit back and let you marry Orval? The Carter family may not be a big deal, but they're super useful. I won't let you have that kind of backing!

“As for Jacob... do you think he’s gonna stick with a woman who’s flirting around with other men?”

“That’s right, I hate you. I hope you’re miserable for the rest of your life and don’t die a good death?”

Back then, Erica was still young, and being a little girl without a father, she always felt inferior

Facing these words from Kelly whom she loved most, her first thought was.

“I’m sorry, I didn’t realize my existence was such a bother to you, I won’t come home again, won’t marry Orval, and won’t fight you for anything” Yes, Erica was hurt, almost tainted.

Yet the one apologizing was Erica herself

This situation lasted for many years.

It wasn’t until Erica grew up that she realized she hadn’t done anything wrong But she could never face the Shields family again.

“Alright,” Rosalynn could feel Erica’s sorrow. She stepped forward and hugged Erica, “You have Larkin now. I can tell he likes you a lot and is very protective of you”

Mentioning Larkin, Erica seemed to relax immediately

“How about I share another secret with you?” Erica said mysteriously.

Rosalynn laughed, “Why do you have so many secrets like a kid?”

Enca smiled and told Rosalynn, “Actually, Larkin used to be a monk”

Rosalynn fell silent for a moment before admitting, “Alright, I must admit, Paige had already told me, I’ve been curious, why did he stop being a monk?” “It’s because of me,” Erica replied proudly

Rosalynn looked enlightened

“So what has Larkin been doing all these years?”

“Larkin has always known that Jacob and I were not completely over. Larkin is a gentleman, so he didn’t come to me,” Erica replied, “If we hadn’t bumped into each other on the ferry, we might have really missed each other.”

They bumped into each other? Can it really be that coincidental?

Rosalynn wondered in her heart.

“But his appearance is just in time. If he showed up too early, and I would only have eyes for Jacob, if he came too late...” Erica trailed off

Rosalynn looked at her, “You wouldn’t...”

“Of course I wouldn’t commit suicide, but who can guarantee what accidents might happen in the future? Erica stretched lazily, avoiding Rosalynn’s question. She suddenly changed the topic, “By the way, what’s the deal with Mc Silverman? He was so polite this time, like a completely different person!”

Erica still didn’t know about Wayne’s amnesia

Before, she was pleased with Wayne’s dramatic change in attitude towards her. But now, she was starting to feel a little uneasy

“Wayne can’t remember what happened in the past, Rosalynn replied calmly. “So, he doesn’t remember the things that made him angry with you.”

Erica covered her mouth in surprise.

She looked at Wayne again, who was being diagnosed by Orval.

Wayne’s attention was always on Rosalynn.

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When Rosalynn and Erica turned to look at Wayne, his expression turned confused.

Erica quickly looked away. “Okay, I admit that my worries were unfounded. He’s gotten better after losing his memory, which is kind of a blessing in disguise!”

Rosalynn chuckled helplessly. “Are you feeling better now?”

Erica turned to Rosalynn with a face full of gratitude, “Yeah, I’m good now!”

“Nothing is more important than your wedding now, everything else can take a back seat.” Rosalynn continued

“Yep!” Erica nodded vigorously, her face full of determination.

Rosalynn then returned to Wayne’s side.

Seeing Rosalynn coming over, Orval sighed, “Mr Silverman really dodged a bullet this time.”

Rosalynn’s heart skipped a beat, 1s it serious?”

“Well, he made it, so he’s okay for now” Orval retracted his hand, “But, some of his main blood vessels are still severely blocked. Did Mr. Silverman have any issues here?”

Orval hesitated for a moment, tapping his own head.

“Memory impairment.” Rosalynn responded.

“Right.” Orval nodded, “After the wedding, I have some of the elders from my family come over to diagnose Mr. Silverman and prescribe some medication for him to try”

“Thanks a million” Rosalynn said sincerely.

Orval waved it off, “You guys are the only ones who stood by Erica from Jacob’s side. Erica is Larkin’s wife, naturally, the Carter family will help out!”

Meanwhile, in a fancy hotel, Erica’s family including her father Calvert Shields were dining in the restaurant.

Larkin had made all the arrangements meticulously,

The dishes were plentiful and even catered to everyone’s taste.

“Erica knows we’re here, but she didn’t even bother to drop by. She’s really acting arrogantly.”

Tomas Shields didn’t want to come in the first place, but somehow, Larkin convinced Calvert to drag everyone along.

“I heard she’s busy entertaining Wayne and Rosalynn, so of course, she can’t attend to us.” Jack Shields snorted. Both of them behaved like spoiled brats.

The woman sitting next to Calvert, with slightly curly hair and dressed modestly, bore a slight resemblance to Enca.

This was Erica’s sister, Kelly

“We’re here for Erica’s wedding, it’s only right. What’s there to fuss about?” Kelly chimed in, “If you want to see Erica, you will on the day of the wedding.” Calvert nodded approvingly.

Little did he know, Jack sneered, “Kelly, you’ve always pampered Erica, always thinking of her first, but what about her? Has she seen you even once in all these years? When you were hospitalized before, she didn’t even bother to check up on you, yet you’re still defending her?”

“Enough!” Calvert snapped, slamming his hand on the table, “If it weren’t for you two good for nothings causing our family business to decline year after year, we wouldn’t have to rely on others, let alone come here.”

Calvert blew his top.

Tomas and Jack, no matter how dissatisfied, dared not speak and started to eat the dishes on the table.

“Dad, you need to take care of yourself, don’t let your blood pressure rise again” Kelly served Calvert some food, “Coming back this time, we not only get to attend Erica’s wedding but also make some new friends, it’s a good thing”

Right! Tomas immediately intervened, “Isn’t Erica on good terms with the Silverman couple? If we want to expand in H Country, teaming up with the Silverman’s will definitely make things easier!”

Kelly lowered her eyelids, hiding the anger in her eyes.

Erica’s reputation was getting worse and worse

But why did she end up here, needing to rely on Erica to establish connections?

Chapter 1648

Kelly used to be head over heels for her sister Erica

Her two bros, Tomas and Jack, were a real pain in the butt.

In their house, boys were the apple of their parents’ eyes, and girls were just second fiddle. With Erica around, Kelly felt she had a sidekick

But Erica started to change.

She was getting prettier and smarter by the day, and she was good at everything she did.

And all those rich boys, they only had eyes for Erica. Even Calvert couldn’t take his eyes off of her. The best marriage proposals were only for Erica, not Kelly

Kelly’s jealousy started to bubble over. She began to think about Erica’s mom and her background.

The hatred was like a tsunami, out of nowhere.

Kelly didn’t love Erica anymore, all she wanted was to ruin her, to make everyone hate her!

Erica was a love child, born out of wedlock. She deserved this!

Things didn’t exactly go according to plan though.

That fat, bald tycoon didn't get what he wanted in the end.

Erica and Kelly had a fallout, big time

But Erica, the dumb girl, still followed the path Kelly set for her

Erica dropped out of school, tarnished her reputation with rumors, and didn't even defend herself. Gradually, she was ditched by Calvert, despised by the rich boys, and became the laughing stock.

As for Kelly, with Erica out of the way, things were smooth sailing

Kelly married a man from a very good background and even gained Calvert trust in the company

But, the economy took a nosedive in recent years. Kelly's husband's family business was on the brink of collapse, and the Shields family's jewelry business was slowly shutting down worldwide.

Just then, news of Erica's wedding was announced

Erica was marrying Larkin, not Orval, the guy from back in the day

Those who aren't familiar with the Carter family might not know much about Larkin

But Kelly's husband had some dealings with the Carter family and knew a thing or two about Larkin.

Larkin's network and wealth were overwhelming for Kelly's husband's family

Kelly was stumped. How did Erica end up with Larkin? Just last year, she was all tangled up with Jacob...

"Kelly?" Jack's voice snapped Kelly out of her thoughts

"What is it?" Kelly looked up.

"Did you space out?" Jack frowned, "I just said, your husband's business, the Jared Group can help. Can you ask Erica to talk to Gabriella Jared? Otherwise, if your husband's family goes bankrupt, they'll have to ask the Shields family for help..."

The Shields family fortune would eventually belong to Tomas and Jack. They didn't want Kelly's husband's family asking the Shields family for help.

"As far as I know, Erica and Gabriella aren't close." Kelly's tone was stiff, "Just with a word from her, the Jared Group would agree to cooperate? How tight can their relationship be?"

“That’s true...” Jack nodded.

Then Calvert chimed in, “Even if the Jared Group can’t help, Larkin is loaded. He could easily bail us out.”

Kelly’s hand clenched into a fist under the table, her nails digging into her flesh

It felt like a trip down memory lane, back when she was overlooked and Erica was the center of attention.

Larkin didn’t seem like the kind of guy who’d care about public opinion,

Kelly lowered her eyes, her heart cold.

Did Erica invite Larkin to show off in front of them?

This time, she would make Erica understand what it means to dig your own grave!

The last two days before the wedding flew by

Little Ivy was really into the wedding rehearsal.

Erica was really fond of Ivy

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After Ivy finished her rehearsal, she returned to the hotel with Erica’s lipstick mark still on her face.

She was so tired that she was kind of zoned out.

Cory was a sweetheart. He sat in front of Ivy, gently rubbing off the lipstick mark with Rosalynn’s makeup remover pad. “Are you tired?” Cory asked

Ivy nodded, “Wait till you attend a wedding, then you’ll know”

“Alright” Cory wiped off the last bit of lipstick, “You can go wash your face now

Ivy trotted to the bathroom, climbed on a stool, washed her face clean, and then crashed onto the bed, fast asleep.

Rosalynn and Wayne couldn’t help but chuckle.

During the rehearsal, Ivy was always full of energy, but as soon as she left the wedding venue, she was like a battery run out of juice

The next morning

Ivy put on her flower girl dress and bounced out the door, all bright and bushy-tailed.

Rosalynn, although not a bridesmaid, had promised Erica to keep her company.

So, before Rosalynn headed to the church, she solemnly put Cory and Wayne's hands together.

"Cory, I'm leaving Wayne in your hands. You guys have to look out for each other and call me if anything comes up, okay?"

Cory nodded, gripping Wayne's hand, "Got it."

"Wayne, take care of Cory" Rosalynn looked at Wayne

"Mhm" Wayne nodded.

Before Rosalynn left, she stood on her toes to give Wayne a kiss, and then she was off to find Erica

Unexpectedly, Rosalynn had just stepped away from the crowd when she heard a voice that made her feel uneasy.

"I'm the bride's sister. This is a surprise I prepared for the bride, a clip of us growing up together. You can play it before the ceremony starts" Rosalynn frowned

Erica's sister?

"Here's a thousand dollars, consider it a tip."

"You're too kind, I'll play it at the right time."

When the two had finished their transaction and left, Rosalynn slowly approached, her gaze landing on an elegantly dressed woman.

Kelly was stepping in high heels, looking in high spirits, heading downstairs.

Rosalynn recognized this woman.

Rosalynn had attended a women entrepreneurs summit before, where Kelly was also among the invitees.

"A surprise for the bride?" Rosalynn murmured to herself.

Suddenly, the image of Erica's gloomy face upon hearing that her family had arrived flashed in her mind.

Without hesitation, Rosalynn took out her phone, calling a number while heading towards Erica

The phone rang for quite a while before it was answered.

“Ms. Tesdal, what can I do for you?”

“Mr. Carter, I suspect someone is planning to sabotage the wedding, could you look into it.....”

Larkin had impeccable taste. The whole banquet hall was decorated to be both romantic and classy

Rosalynn walked through the banquet hall to Erica’s dressing room.

“You’re finally here, I was about to call you” Erica saw Rosalynn and immediately reached out her hand with joy.

Rosalynn smiled and took Erica’s hand, “Anything I can help with?”

Erica shook her head, “Everything’s all set. Just keep me company and chat with me. I feel safe with you here?”

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Rosalynn looked at Erica with a gentle smile and joked, “You really trust me that much? Then I better take good care of you and make sure your wedding goes off without a hitch.”

Erica grinned and nodded. She looked into the mirror. The reflection showed her with a delicate makeup and a bright smile.

She hardly recognized herself.

Since when did she stop crying alone in the depths of the night? And since when did she start wearing such a bright and carefree smile on her face? Of course, this happened after she and Larkin became official

The wedding was to be held in a church, followed by a feast in the banquet hall next door

Just as they were about to head to the church, there was a knock on the door of the dressing room

Rosalynn got up and opened the door.

Outside, stood the Calvert and his two sons. They froze at the sight of Rosalynn.

“Mrs. Silverman!” Jack exclaimed with delight

Rosalynn nodded, and Erica walked out.

Seeing Calvert, Erica's smile stiffened a bit, then she said, "Dad"

It might have been a long time since Calvert last saw Erica.

Enca looked more and more like her mother.

Despite the fact that Calvert and Erica's mother's relationship had gone sour. Even now, Calvert considered her a stain on his life.

Nonetheless, Calvert believed that when he first met Erica's mother, he genuinely loved her. He could give her everything, except the title of his wife. Unfortunately, she didn't get it.

She couldn't weigh out her priorities, she was oblivious, and she even said she couldn't accept being the other woman. She would rather marry a decent and ordinary man than be Calvert mistress.

"You've grown up, Calvert looked at Erica, a look of nostalgia on his face, "You look more and more like your mother"

Erica's smile froze again. Her mother might have passed away at her age.

"Thank you for coming to my wedding, Erica said politely, her tone icy cold.

Seeing the situation, Jack couldn't help but speak, "Erica, didn't you know we were coming? You haven't seen us for years."

"Do you guys really not know why she hasn't seen you?" Rosalynn asked, smiling but in a sharp tone, "How do you have the nerve to ask that?"

Jack' face instantly froze. He wanted to curse, but...

He couldn't afford to offend Rosalynn.

"Mommy, Erica!"

At this moment, the flower girl Ivy and the bridesmaids came to take Erica to the church.

"Off you go, it's time to head to the church, Rosalynn looked at Erica, her expression soft again.

Seeing this, Tomas suggested, "Dad, why don't you walk with Erica? It's your turn to hand her over to Larkin

Tomas was smarter than Jack. He knew he needed to rely on Erica and Larkin in the future, so he stopped looking down on Erica and started to be more attentive.

"Is that really a thing?" Rosalynn looked confused.

Erica glanced at Calvert, then shook her head, "Nope"

Erica had hesitated before.

But Calvert had already denied her as his daughter.

Moreover, Erica felt that her mother wouldn't like this situation.

"Erica, I am your father?" Calvert suddenly felt his authority being challenged.

Rosalynn gently pushed Erica forward, "You go ahead, I'll take care of this."

Erica looked at Rosalynn with worry