

Chapter 640 Decided To Bring Him Home

At Lilah's suggestion of meeting her family now, Cole's easy confidence faded in an instant. He pressed his lips together, unease creeping in. He had just vowed to spend his life with Lilah, the woman he loved, so of course, he was ready to meet her family. But the Campbells were no ordinary family.

The Evan family and Arthur had been at odds for years because of Eva's shameful actions. To make things worse, Cole had once proposed to Wanda. Now, showing up as Lilah's boyfriend, Cole wondered if her father would open his arms—or slam the door. And then there was Milton, his daunting soon-to-be brother-in-law.

Cole still remembered the stern warning Milton gave him yesterday—stay away from Lilah. If both Arthur and Milton decided to shut him out, how was he supposed to face it?

Elliana saw straight through his worries. She leaned closer, a teasing smile on her lips. "What's wrong? Don't want to go?"

Cole let out an awkward laugh. "Why wouldn't I?"

He clicked his seatbelt into place and started the car. "What do you think I should bring as a gift?"

Elliana chuckled softly. So, he was really going? That took guts. "No need to be so formal. It's just dinner. Gifts aren't necessary."

She hadn't planned to reveal her true identity as the Campbell heiress yet, but circumstances forced her hand. She refused to be branded as the other woman or let anyone whisper that she had stolen Wanda's man.

Back when she married into the Evans family as Elliana, the internet had buzzed with groundless rumors that she had taken Paige's fiancé. That shadow hung over her marriage.

After everything she and Cole had been through, they had finally found their way back to love. This time, she wanted it free of baseless gossip.

Previously, she had hidden her identity as the heiress of the Campbell family to protect herself from threats in the dark. But now the enemies had shown their faces, even sending people to hunt her down. Whether or not the Serpent Society came again, she planned to wipe them out completely.

With things falling into place, it was time to bring Cole home. She had chosen him, and she would never let him suffer in her home.

With quiet determination, she opened her phone and sent a message in the family group chat.

After their reunion yesterday, Milton had created the group chat, with only the three of them—father, son, and daughter.

Elliana typed, "Dad, Milton, I'm bringing Cole to Harmony Estate. Are you both home?"

Both Arthur and Milton had set special notifications for the family chat, fearing they might miss Elliana's messages. At that very moment, the two were in the study, deep in discussion. When Elliana's message arrived, their phones buzzed at the same time.

Surprised, they quickly pulled out their phones and clicked into the group chat. When they saw that Elliana wanted to bring Cole home, their faces grew complicated.

They had promised her full freedom in choosing her partner, but acceptance was another matter. The thought of Elliana marrying into the Evans family was bitter enough. Adding Cole's past with Wanda only made it worse. Each reason alone was enough to reject him. Yet, they couldn't. Elliana had chosen Cole. They had no choice but to honor her decision.

They exchanged a long glance and then composed their replies.

Arthur wrote, "Yes, sweetheart, I'm home."

Milton typed, "I'm home too."

Seeing their instant replies, Elliana smiled and wrote. "You don't object to me dating Cole, right?"

Arthur and Milton shared another silent look before lowering their heads to type.

Arthur replied, "I respect your decision."

Milton echoed. "As long as you're happy."

Elliana replied, "Thank you, Dad, Milton. I'll bring him home soon. Please, don't be cold to him. If you are, I'll be so embarrassed."

Reading that, Arthur and Milton glanced at each other once more. This time, their eyes showed the same reluctant fire. If only they could give Cole a good thrashing. Of all the women in the world, why did he have to pursue Elliana? What a scoundrel!

But while they cursed Cole in silence, their fingers wrote the opposite.

Arthur texted. "No problem, I'll act like a proper parent."

Milton said, "And I'll act like a proper brother."

Elliana replied, "Alright. See you soon."

Arthur responded, "We'll be waiting at home."

Milton said, "Alright."

Then, Elliana added, "By the way, Dad, Milton, I've decided to announce to the world that I'm the Campbell heiress."

Upon reading this message, Arthur and Milton exchanged a glance—this time filled with excitement. Her choice meant Arthur could finally boast of his remarkable daughter, and Milton could proudly parade around with the claim of his sister's existence.