

Wife 58

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Katrina recounted, “Louie’s sister, Leia, asked about him after school. When she learned that Ruby had taken Louie, she went looking for them. Unable to find him, she asked Ruby, but the latter was in the middle of a winning streak. She casually mentioned that Louie was playing outside the door.

“Leia told her she hadn’t seen Louie and searched the area but still couldn’t find him. That’s when Ruby began to panic. The gamblers stopped playing and joined in the search for him.”

At this point, Katrina sighed and fell silent as they arrived at Allen’s house.

Clara understood what had happened without needing further

explanation. *www.Novêl(wo(r)m.CoM*

They must have enlisted all their relatives and friends to help search for Louie. They initially suspected he had been kidnapped, but in the end, he was found in an uncovered well in front of someone else’s house.

Drowning left a very short window for rescue.

They had searched for Louie for a long time. By the time they found him in the well, they had missed the critical time for rescue.

Allen’s house, a three–story building with about 1,600 square feet of space, had the first floor renovated into a supermarket while the second and third floors were used for living.

The group settled into the second–floor living room.

Bailey prepared fruits and snacks and set them out on the coffee

table. She invited everyone to help themselves. *ww(w).(n)Ovel(órm.Co*

Meanwhile, Allen made coffee for the guests.

After a cup of coffee, Mark addressed Bailey, “Mrs. Mcleod, I’m here at Mr. Anderson’s request to mediate the conflict between you and Ms. Anderson. I’ve checked her residence and done some reading. She isn’t being haunted by any evil spirits, nor are you.”

His reading revealed that Ruby’s later years were unhappy. *(w)Ŵ.11σ(v)êlw(TrM.C(o)m*

As it turned out, he wasn’t wrong.

Ruby’s later years were marked by unhappiness and frequent

conflicts with the younger generation.

Although he had read for Allen and Bailey and predicted that their son would face a critical period at three years old, more careful *www.novêLw(om.CoM* supervision might have helped avoid it.

Looking at Bailey, Mark said, “I’m just an outsider and don’t know the details of your conflict, so I have to ask. Mrs. McLeod, what has caused such a severe rift between you and Ms. Anderson? I heard you say earlier that she has caused your son’s death.”

Bailey’s eyes reddened as she spoke of her deceased son.

Despite having another son now, the loss of Louie remained a deep wound, causing her immense grief. Tears flowed uncontrollably as she recalled the pain.

Ruby said softly, “I didn’t intend for that to happen. Louie was my grandson too. How could I deliberately harm him? He fell into the well and drowned. I didn’t throw him in there.”