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Chapter 71: Fragrant from Afar,

Stinky at Close Quarters “You won’t have to worry about raising children or household expenses in the future? Speak up, I’m all ears.”

“Second brother... don’t misunderstand our dad. To tell the truth, dad really did consider Li Bao’s future when he agreed to Director Wu’s proposal to betroth Li Bao to Comrade Luo.”

He knew that whether it was his second brother, Guosheng, or his own father speaking at this moment, it was all out of love for his sister Li Bao. He feared that Li Bao would marry into a bad family, suffer hardships, and endure various grievances, so Big Brother Kang couldn’t help but interject.

Kang Guosheng: “Big Brother! What’s there to consider about Li Bao’s future? If it comes to it, she doesn’t have to marry. We can take care of her for a lifetime!”

Upon hearing this, Big Brother Kang gave a bitter smile and said, “Third brother and I thought the same way, but dad has his considerations.”

“Enough, don’t flaunt how much you brothers care for Li Bao in front of me.”

Captain Kang said irritably: “Haven’t you heard ‘distant fragrances are sweet while near odors are foul’? Alright, even if your mother and I won’t shun Li Bao hundred years from now, and neither will your wives and children,

but are you so sure Li Bao would want to live with you brothers? Watching each one of you with your own happy families, how will she feel in her heart?”

Kang Guosheng was at a loss for words.

So was Big Brother Kang.

“If your mother and I could stay with Li Bao forever, I’d naturally be happy to support our daughter for a lifetime, but is that realistic?”

Captain Kang’s tone grew much heavier: “You’re merely Li Bao’s older brothers, you have your own households. In your day-to-day lives, you have to consider the feelings of your wives and children.

Under such circumstances, if Li Bao were to live with each of your individual families for a long time, can you guarantee that she wouldn’t suffer any grievances?”

Kang Guosheng truly loved his sister Li Bao. After hearing Captain Kang’s words, he couldn’t help but defend himself and his own family: “Dad, you’re worrying too much. I believe in Xiaohui’s character, and I trust those two grandsons of yours, they will definitely...”

He didn’t expect to be interrupted by Captain Kang: “Enough. I’ve eaten more salt than you’ve eaten rice, and who among people doesn’t have their own personal interests?

I believe that after your mother and I have passed on, you five brothers will treat Li Bao as well as we did, but as I said before, each of you has your own household. Even if I want what's best for Li Bao,

I can't let her come between you and your spouses, your fathers and sons, causing disharmony in your homes and unwittingly making you resent Li Bao."

Big Brother Kang grew anxious: "Dad, you can't think so poorly of us!"

"What I'm talking about is just one possibility, the worst-case scenario. You should know, even more than this old man, how much your mother adores Li Bao.

She can't bear to see Li Bao mistreated. Otherwise, why did she repeatedly oppose the marriage between Li Bao and her brother-in-law at first, only to eventually agree?"

As Captain Kang spoke, he glanced at his eldest son and then his second son, before speaking again: "That's because your mother understands that we two old folks can't be with Li Bao forever, she knows I'm right, she knows that for Li Bao, marrying your brother-in-law is the best choice."

Kang Guosheng and Big Brother Kang remained silent, listening to Captain Kang speak.

"You all know the reason. Li Bao has been frail since she was born. Your mother and I have spent years seeking medical advice without much effect...

Even after being diagnosed by a big-city hospital doctor, it was said that Li Bao would have difficulty having children after marriage, and it was precisely because of this point that the Zhou Family proposed to annul the engagement.”