

BOOT CAMP 2071

Chapter 2071: Gritting One's Teeth

They weren't just checking this taxi. In the surroundings, Ye Jian saw countless taxis being stopped by these people. Some people resisted and shouted, but it was useless. These people insisted on stopping the vehicles.

The only good thing was that they hadn't hurt anyone.

The other party did not do anything overboard. He only knocked on the window and asked where the tourists in the car had gotten in and where they were going. After chatting with the driver and feeling that there were no problems, he let the car drive away.

Ye Jian and the others were stopped twice. It was already two hours later when they arrived at the place designated by the embassy.

They were greeted by the Deputy Ministerial Ambassador, who had always kept in touch with the military. When he saw the three of them standing outside the door, he looked openly pleased.

"You'll be safe here!" The ambassador was a refined middle-aged man in his early 50s. He welcomed the three of them warmly into the living room and immediately poured them some drinks. The joy on his face had not completely disappeared. "The country has been waiting for news from the three of you. Now that you've returned safely, the country is relieved."

The military was indeed relieved. Major General Yang received Ye Jian's call and heard her voice coming from the other end. The major general slowly tightened his grip on the steel cup and felt relieved.

"After this, everything will go according to the embassy's arrangements. There will be no unauthorized movements. Wait for the four p.m. flight straight back home. And don't worry about Q King. We have our own people working with him. You can relax."

Seeing that this was the first time Ye Jian knew that the members of the Xueyu unit needed to infiltrate the enemy camp to complete their mission, the major general couldn't help but explain. If it were anyone else, he wouldn't have said a word.

Seeing that even the major general was comforting her, Ye Jian felt guilty. She pursed her lips and said in a low voice, "I know. You don't have to worry about me. He has his mission and I have mine. We'll work hard for our missions and wait to get together when we return to the country."

"That's the spirit." Her words brought a smile to the major general's face. Azure Bird had a strong sense of acceptance and self-control. She had left without a moment's hesitation under those circumstances. It was clear from that that she knew her responsibilities.

A soldier who knew their duty well would not let their country down.

As for Xia Jinyuan, there was probably some trouble with his mission. The major general, who had hung up the phone, had a grave expression on his face. Xia Jinyuan would have to suffer a little this time.

Physical injuries were common even in normal training for a soldier. They just had to grit their teeth and endure it. Before Xia Jinyuan left the country, he knew what kind of criminal he would face. He was already prepared and was determined not to be defeated so easily.

The military did not know anything about him now. J5 and the others had no way of contacting him either. They could only wait for him to take the initiative to contact the military.

As for when Xia Jinyuan would contact J5, with Xia Jinyuan's ability, he would pass the news in less than three days.

His title of 'All-rounded Soldier King' was not to be undermined!

When Ye Jian learned about the news of Xia Jinyuan, she was accompanying Principal Chen to the hospital for a checkup. Although Principal Chen had been discharged, his body was still injured. He had to go for monthly check-ups for half a year.

Ye Jian, who was sitting outside waiting for Principal Chen to finish his check-up, saw the familiar number. When she pressed the answer button, she had already taken two deep breaths.

Chapter 2072: Smug

Ye Jian, who was holding her phone, covered her face. Her eyes were wet.

Great! It was really great...

He didn't break his promise. The man she believed in and loved deeply didn't go back against his word.

"J5 has sent an update. Q King is safe at the moment and has managed to get close to Antonio. This will help with the mission."

That was what the major general told her, and she could tell he was equally pleased.

It had been three days since she returned to the country. From the moment she boarded the plane back, his smile had filled her mind. All she could remember was what he said. Even in her dreams, she would dream of him in his neat military uniform. She saw him standing under the sun with his military cap in his right hand. Smiling at her elegantly, he said with a hint of mischief, "Little Fox, I'm back."

He was back. The man she loved would really be back soon.

Sitting and bending over, Ye Jian covered her face with her elbows and laughed. Her expression was indescribably relaxed.

It wasn't until this second that the pain in her heart faded. The major general's words had made the pain vanish in an instant.

This was good. He was safe and sound. This was really good....

After wiping her tears, Ye Jian took a deep breath and smelled the disinfectant that she hated. Even so, a bright smile appeared on her face. Her watery black eyes were filled with vitality, and the darkness from before was gone.

Ye Jian, who was smiling so much that even her expression appeared soft, stood up. Just as she was about to walk around, she suddenly felt an unfriendly gaze coming from ahead. She looked up and smiled.

She was truly fated with Ye Ying. From her previous life to this life, she would always bump into her.

Sun Dongqing was beside Ye Ying. She was holding a pile of bills and complaining about the hospital's service. When she saw her daughter stop, Sun Dongqing couldn't help but stop too. She looked up from the pile of bills and glared at Ye Jian.

Why did they bump into this wretched girl?!

"Yingying, let's go. We shouldn't see this damn girl. She's a jinx. As long as we see her, nothing good will happen to our entire family." Sun Dongqing didn't dare to fight Ye Jian head-on anymore. After suffering so much, she was really afraid.

However, Ye Ying wasn't afraid. She smiled coquettishly. "Mom, our family isn't like her. She can't do whatever she wants. With Dad around, she's nothing!"

The last part was said through gritted teeth.

How could an orphan ride on her head?

In the past, she was careless and fell for the wretched girl's tricks again and again. In the end, she missed the college entrance examination and had to go overseas to avoid the limelight.

What about now?

Hahaha. Did she still need to avoid this girl?

She didn't want her in the army?

But she had entered!

Moreover, the staff officer had personally called to complete a series of procedures. She only had to produce a document. She did not have a heart attack, so it was really just a certificate of misdiagnosis!

Now that she had made a comeback, it was Ye Jian's turn to be unlucky!

Sun Dongqing, who had wanted to leave, suddenly smiled. That was right! With Old Ye around, what was there to be afraid of?

Now, she even had connections with Staff Officer Du. It was equivalent to Yingying having a big backer in the army. Who did Ye Jian think she was? When Yingying entered the army, she could use some tricks to kill Ye Jian!

Sun Dongqing held Ye Ying's hand and walked toward Ye Jian proudly.

Chapter 2073: Proud

At this moment, Ye Jian really didn't want to see the mother and daughter walking toward her. However, the mother and daughter's stance had clearly returned to their previous arrogance. There was even a hint of smugness in their eyes.

Especially Sun Dongqing. From her gaze, it seemed that she thought of all living beings as lowly. She was the only one who was noble.

Ye Jian only glanced at the mother and daughter before sitting down again. If she left now, Sun Dongqing would think that she was afraid.

She might not be firm toward others, but she really had to have a competitive heart when facing Sun Dongqing and her daughter. Otherwise, they would be even more ambitious!

Ye Ying could tell that Ye Jian had cried. Seeing this, a sweet smile appeared on her cherry-like lips. When Ye Jian cried, she smiled even more. She even smiled sweetly and beautifully!

She had to let Ye Jian know that she, Ye Ying, couldn't be defeated just because she failed the college entrance examination!

Ye Ying glanced at Ye Jian, who didn't even dare to look at her. She pretended to be worried and asked Sun Dongqing, "Mom, do you think I can enter the capital city this time? I'm still a little worried."

Not only did she smile sweetly, but she also had to smile like a victor!

Sun Dongqing was good at using her words and actions to suppress others. Ye Ying had taken after her. When she heard this, she immediately understood and smiled. "My precious daughter, what are you worried about?"

"With your looks, talent, ability to sing, dance, and play the piano, the leader said that as long as you're healthy, you can totally join the army.

"The leader also said that it'd be a pity if a talented girl like you didn't go to the army. Once you go to the army to gain experience for a few years, what do you think your future will be like?"

"Bright." Ye Ying continued her mother's words coquettishly. She lowered her head in embarrassment. "I just don't feel at ease. That's why I want you to enlighten me."

Sun Dongqing, who didn't see any reaction from Ye Jian after saying so much, thought to herself, 'Little b*tch, you're quite tolerant! If I don't anger you today, my surname won't be Sun.'

With a vicious expression, she patted Ye Ying's hand that was holding her arm and teased kindly, "Why don't you feel at ease? Everything's already done. We're just waiting for your medical report to be sent over. The experts will give you a new consultation. Then, you can report to the army directly. What's there to feel uneasy about?"

"It's precisely because I can suddenly go to the army that I feel uneasy." Ye Ying pouted as she held Sun Dongqing's arm. She looked very delicate. "It was so difficult to enter in the past. But when I returned from France, I could suddenly enter. Moreover, I'm entering the capital city's political regiment. I feel like I'm dreaming. I can't believe it."

The mother and daughter deliberately slowed down and walked over as they spoke. They were about a meter away from Ye Jian. Ye Ying smiled at the still indifferent Ye Jian and asked, "Happy New Year, Ye Jian. Aren't you a military school student? You must know the army very well. Can you tell me why you said that I couldn't enter the army in the past but I can now?"

She wanted to get back the dignity she lost from Ye Jian, so how could she let Ye Jian off? She asked aggressively, "I really can't figure it out, but I didn't expect this to happen to me. If the army said that they didn't want you, an orphan, I dare say that you can forget about entering for the rest of your life!"

Chapter 2074: Do Your Best

Ye Jian knew what Ye Ying was thinking. Seeing this, she raised her eyes lazily and lowered them again.

At this moment, the more silent she was and the less she spoke, the angrier Ye Ying would be.

What she wanted was to provoke the anger in Ye Ying's heart and hear what else she would say in her anger.

It was obvious that she had something to do with the Du family. In her previous life, Ye Ying was the daughter-in-law of the Du family. In this life, Ye Ying relied on the Du family to enter the army. Would she become the daughter-in-law of the Du family again?

The Du family was at odds with the Xia family. If the Du family, who used their power for personal gain, did a few more bad things, the Xia family would be able to take action.

Sun Dongqing couldn't stand Ye Jian's disregard. She stood up and stared at Ye Jian, who looked down on her and thought that she wouldn't be successful. She gritted her teeth and said, "Stupid girl, do you think you're so great just because you're a military school student? How is my Yingying inferior to you? As long as she wants it, there's nothing she can't get!"

"In the past, it was because you made things difficult for Yingying in school that she suffered so much! Hmph, Yingying is about to enter the army now, and it's even the capital city's political regiment. I want to see how you'll make things difficult for Yingying then."

Sun Dongqing had always thought that Ye Jian was the reason why Ye Ying was where she was today. Ye Ying was not at fault at all.

Why did she say that Ye Jian was here to deal with Ye Ying? It was because Ye Ying was always the unlucky one at crucial moments. No matter how scheming their family was, in the end... Ye Jian would always be fine!

Now that they had the help of a benefactor, and it was even Staff Office Du, no matter how powerful Chen Dongfeng was, could he be stronger than Staff Officer Du? Did he have the ability to stop Staff Officer Du from arranging for Yingying to join the army?

The provincial troops wouldn't be able to meddle in this because her Yingying was destined to be helped by a noble to join the army!

Seeing that Ye Jian still didn't say anything and continued looking down on her entire family, Sun Dongqing wished she could slap her so that Ye Jian would know how powerful she was.

What Ye Ying was thinking was what Sun Dongqing was thinking. Seeing that Ye Jian was still cold as if there was nothing special about her entering the capital city's political regiment, the smug smile on Ye Ying's face was gone. She shouted in a low voice, "What's so great about you? Can you stop me from getting the things I want?"

"What's so great about being a soldier? Do you think I care? In my eyes, you're just a poor soldier! You have no money or power. If you hadn't become a soldier, do you think I would want to join the army?"

"I'm telling you, don't think you're all that just because you got into military school and became a soldier. Even though I didn't get into military school, I can still be a soldier!"

No matter what she said, Ye Jian's expression remained calm. She raised her hand and looked at the time. It had been ten minutes since Uncle Chen went in for his check-up. The mother and daughter had been talking for so long, but Ye Zhifan hadn't stepped out. Ye Jian's lips curled up slightly. Without Ye Zhifan, Sun Dongqing and Ye Ying were nothing to be afraid of.

Finally, Ye Jian, who was sitting quietly, moved. When she moved, the mother's and daughter's faces lit up. They thought that they had successfully provoked Ye Jian.

"Ye Ying, what does it have to do with me if you join the army? Is it worth it for you to come to the hospital to report it to me?" Ye Jian placed her hand in her pocket and pressed a few buttons with her slender fingers. "There's really no need. I don't want to know whether you become a soldier or not."

Chapter 2075: A Joke

It was fine if she didn't say anything, but the moment she did, she infuriated both the mother and daughter.

'What do you mean coming to the hospital to report to you?'

Who did she think she was?!

Ye Ying was so angry that her face turned green.

However, Ye Jian didn't stop there. Since she had spoken, she naturally had to record what she wanted to record.

"If you hate soldiers so much and call us poor soldiers, why did you choose to become a poor soldier? Just because of me?"

"There's really no need to make things difficult for yourself, let alone others. Do you understand?"

Ye Jian kept claiming that Ye Ying came to be a soldier because of her. Ye Ying's face turned from green to black. She gritted her teeth as she said hatefully, "Ye Jian, you really think highly of yourself! Who do you think you are that I would need to specially make a trip to tell you and report to you?!"

"I look down on poor soldiers, so naturally I look down on poor soldiers like you! It's ridiculous that I have to report to you!"

She was so angry! Ye Jian made it sound like Ye Ying was afraid of her and had to go to the hospital to ask for Ye Jian's permission to join the army!

Ye Jian, who had been recording on her phone, saw that Ye Ying was extremely rude. Her eyes darkened as she looked straight at Ye Ying. "Who are you to come in front of me and show off?"

"You're someone who couldn't even sit for the college entrance examination, who maligned the instructor during military training, whose hobby is spreading rumors, and who can't even stay in school. What right do you have to speak to me?!"

Not only could Ye Jian suppress the mother and daughter with her tone, but she also suppressed them with her aura. After speaking, the mother and daughter, who were still arrogant just now, were so angry that their bodies were trembling.

"Wretched girl, what did you say? Say it again!" Sun Dongqing was so angry that her temples were throbbing. She glared at Ye Jian as if she was going to pounce on her and tear her apart. "Ye Ying is a good daughter, but she's being slandered by you. Say it again!"

Her anger didn't affect Ye Jian at all. She only raised her eyebrows slightly. "Slander? The Education Bureau can investigate whether someone is qualified for the college entrance examination or not. Everyone in our class knows that Ye Ying wronged the instructor during the military training. The entire school knows that she spread rumors everywhere. Is it even necessary for me to frame her?"

Suddenly, Ye Jian changed the topic and mocked, "That's right. Ye Ying is about to enter the army. We can't dig out her dark history. Otherwise, your family's efforts will be wasted."

"That's strange. Since Ye Ying doesn't want to be a soldier, why does she insist on joining the army? Just now, I said that it's for me, but you said that it isn't. Ye Ying, did your father force you to join the capital city's political regiment?"

"Director Ye actually has the ability to send you to the capital city's political regiment? Looks like I really have to be more careful in the future. No wonder the two of you are so smug."

Sun Dongqing smiled at Ye Jian's last words.

"Wretched girl, do you think you'll be successful just because you got into military school? You're an orphan with no parents. Even though you've gotten into military school, you're destined to be a low-level officer!"

"Even if my Yingying doesn't get into military school, she can still be an officer. Her position will only get higher and higher! And no matter how hard you work, it's useless. As long as my Yingying is by Staff Officer Du's side in the army—"

Before Sun Dongqing could finish speaking, Ye Ying interrupted her and said coldly, “Ye Jian, as long as you’re in the army, I won’t let you off!”

Chapter 2076: Setting A Trap

Even though Ye Ying interrupted Sun Dongqing in time, Ye Jian had already recorded what she wanted to record. As expected, it was Staff Officer Du!

In her previous life, Ye Ying did not join the army but successfully married into the Du family.

In this life, if she joined the army, she would probably be able to marry into the Du family all the same.

However! A ruthless glint flashed across Ye Jian’s eyes as she stared at Ye Ying for a while. Then, she smiled lightly. This smile made Ye Ying suddenly panic. Especially the look in Ye Jian’s eyes, which was like a sharp knife that suddenly brushed past her scalp. It made her feel cold.

Before she could calm down from her panic, she heard Ye Jian say to her slowly, “Ye Ying, even if you enter the capital city’s political regiment, you’re just a literary soldier. Even if you have a chance to become an officer, I belong to the field army. Can a literary soldier like you extend your hands into the field army?”

“Don’t you dare try to mess with the field troops. My leader won’t let you do whatever you want. Ye Ying, what do you think the troops are? People you can abuse your power on?”

Her voice was majestic and powerful. Every word was like a sudden thunderclap, causing Sun Dongqing to panic.

She turned to Ye Ying. “Is she telling the truth? Isn’t it possible with Staff Officer Du? It’s...”

Ye Ying was also stunned by Ye Jian. She was in a daze for a moment. Sun Dongqing had already uttered the name of the person she shouldn’t call out.

Ye Ying was so shocked that she exploded. “Mom, I’m going in for a check-up! Come in with me!”

Not again! Dad had repeatedly reminded her not to let anyone know who sent her into the army, but her mother couldn’t help but mention Staff Officer Du!

Fortunately, she didn’t say anything else. She only mentioned Staff Officer Du... So what if the wretched girl heard the name? She had no evidence that Staff Officer Du was helping her!

Ye Ying, who was panicking, quickly calmed down. However, she didn’t dare to talk to Ye Jian anymore. Sun Dongqing still hadn’t reacted. She only thought about how her daughter wouldn’t be able to deal with Ye Jian after entering the army... If that was the case, what was the point of being a soldier?

“Yingying, I think—”

“Mom, I’m going for a check-up now. Stay with me and stop talking!” Ye Ying said in a low voice. Her voice gradually softened. “Dad already said not to mention Staff Officer Du. Mom, you can’t be so impulsive!”

Sun Dongqing, who had wanted to say, ‘I think you should transfer to the field troops’, was shocked when she heard this. Her eyes flickered, and she was rather uneasy. “Did I mention Staff Officer Du? Did I really?”

She did. She even said it twice. It was all recorded on Ye Jian’s phone.

Although Ye Ying stood a good chance of entering the army in this life and marrying into the Du family again, changes could happen before she formally entered the army.

The capital city’s political regiment? Did she really think she could enter as she pleased?

Ye Jian’s cold and sharp gaze met Ye Ying’s. They could see the hatred in each other’s eyes. That was right. She and Ye Ying had to fight!

The door of the examination room opened and the doctor came out. Ye Ying pulled Sun Dongqing in. The door of the examination room on the other side opened. Principal Chen and the attending doctor walked out while laughing.

Ye Jian turned off the recording and greeted him with a smile.

Chapter 2077: The Start

Ye Jian thought that Principal Chen didn’t hear the conversation between her and Sun Dongqing and Ye Ying. When she walked out of the hospital, she realized that she had underestimated the hearing of a sniper.

“Ye Ying is about to enter the army. What are your thoughts?” As soon as she walked out of the hospital, Principal Chen asked calmly, causing Ye Jian to stop in her tracks. Just as she was thinking about how to answer, Principal Chen said, “Are you afraid?”

Afraid?

She did not feel any fear. Instead, she felt that it was a good thing. It would be a good time to send the recording to Commander Xia and let him know what Staff Officer Du had done.

It was also evidence that Ye Zhifan was abusing his power for personal gain!

Ye Jian smiled and said, “No, Ye Ying isn’t enough to make me be afraid. What I need to be careful of is Ye Zhifan. He’s the foundation of the Ye family in the Southern Province. We have to capture the leader. As long as the Ye Zhifan is taken down, Ye Ying won’t have a chance.”

Those who were in the wrong felt at ease. Those people were even arrogant enough to show off in front of her. If they were not afraid of being exposed, why should she be afraid?

Facing Principal Chen’s scrutinizing gaze, the warm smile on her face was like a spring breeze.

“Uncle Chen, I’ve never been afraid of the Ye family. Not in the past, and definitely not in the future.

“So what if Ye Ying enters the army? So what if she enters the capital city’s political regiment? She will never be able to achieve anything.

“Even Ye Zhifan is extremely careful when he plays with power. He’s afraid that he’ll be doomed if he’s not careful. Ye Ying thinks that she can do whatever she wants after entering the army, so I’ll just let her continue thinking naively.”

Her calm words and composure made Principal Chen laugh. “Girl, you’ve really grown up.

“That’s right. Ye Ying entering the army doesn’t mean anything. She can’t cause any trouble. On the contrary, as long as she dares to make a move, the first person who won’t let her off will be the person who sent her into the army.

“As a person, we have to fight for things but we also have to follow the rules! Ye Ying is very smart, but that’s also her flaw. People who think too highly of themselves will never go far, and they’ll never be good enough.

“You’re quite right. Let her keep her naive mindset.”

Ye Jian pursed her lips and smiled. Uncle Chen’s focus was still on Ye Zhifan. He didn’t think Ye Ying could do anything.

However, if Ye Ying didn’t attempt to do something, she wouldn’t be Ye Ying.

The recording on the phone should be able to put Ye Ying in a difficult position. However, it would depend on Commander Xia’s arrangements. These matters were not something a mere military school student like her could interfere in.

Ye Ying was right about one thing. Ye Jian was indeed a small military school student who couldn’t do anything. She could only hand the recording to Commander Xia.

Commander Xia, who had received the recording, played it to the Military Disciplinary Committee. It was clear who had done what and who had entered the army because of whom.

She was blacklisted from the college entrance examination and had heart disease... How could such a person enter the capital city’s political regiment? She was even recorded?

The generals in the Military Disciplinary Committee looked at each other. When did Staff Officer Du become so unreliable?

Commander Xia, who had made a copy of the recording, did not interfere in this matter anymore. Old Du had his hands tied, but Director Ye of the Southern Province was still out there.

After raising such an arrogant daughter, he should know that his career would not go far.

Chapter 2079: Unable To Let Go

When she returned home, she sat in the big chair and looked at the empty chair opposite her. She vaguely returned to the past. When she saw the kind-looking old man in the old military uniform looking at her kindly, Ye Jian smiled.

After returning home, she peeled off the hardest outer shell that could withstand wind and rain, making the smile that lingered on the corner of her lips appear so soft. "Grandpa, are you okay? I don't know when I'll be back again.

"I have good news for you. I've been waiting for Ye Zhifan to fall. I've waited two lifetimes for this family to be dealt with. Grandpa, I'm really happy."

Ye Jian, who had a soft smile on her face, seemed to have returned to the time when Uncle Gen was still alive. She spoke slowly, carefully, and softly about Principal Chen and Xia Jinyuan.

"I haven't told you why I suddenly became sensible in the second year of middle school. I've always wanted to tell you, but I couldn't.

"You said that I became sensible. You said that I finally understood. Grandpa, you don't know why I became sensible. It's all because I learned a cruel lesson in my previous life and was reborn with hatred.

"In my previous life, I didn't listen to you and rejected your help. In the end, I was forced by Ye Ying to die without any dignity.

"I never thought I'd be able to live again. In this life, I was reborn with hatred. The only thing I wanted to do was take revenge. Other than that, I had no other thoughts. Grandpa, you were the one who pointed out a path for me. You told me that in this life, besides taking revenge, there was another way to live that would make my enemies hate it even more.

"I listened to your arrangements and your words. I endured Ye Zhifan, who caused me to be alone in my previous life. I endured my hatred and silently put down the scissors and kitchen knife I picked up.

"With your words, the path you pointed out allowed me to walk out of my hatred. I learned that only by becoming stronger can I stand on my own feet and complete what I didn't complete in my previous life.

"When I couldn't take it anymore, I thought about your words. When I couldn't take it anymore, I ran, trained, and vented. I endured it and got through it again.

"I'm so lucky to have met you, Principal Chen, Commander Liu, and Commissar Yan in this life. I even met the love of my life, Captain Xia, who's also my comrade. Because of all of you, I feel happy no matter how bitter and tired I am.

"Grandpa, I don't think I'll be back soon after this. Although my home is in the village, I've suffered too much disdain in my previous life. When facing my neighbors in this life, even though they're very kind to me now, I can't help but think of their attitudes toward me in my previous life.

"I know it's wrong, but Grandpa, I can't hold it back any longer. There are some people and some things that I can't get over no matter how hard I try.

“I’ll remember the people who helped me for both lifetimes. However, I can’t let go of those who bullied and humiliated me in this life. I can feel the warmth and coldness vividly. In my previous life, I was framed by Ye Ying and abandoned in the village. Grandpa, every time I return to the village, I can’t help but think of the past...”

Chapter 2080: Journals

Ye Jian had revealed her secrets in a very calm tone. There was no sadness or pain, only relief.

“Grandpa, I’m sorry to disappoint you. I can’t let go of everything. The only thing I can do is forget those people. But don’t worry, I won’t do anything extreme. Once I do what I have to do, I’ll bury everything they did to me in my previous life in my heart. I’ll gradually forget about the incident with Ye Zhifan’s family.

“I think I’ll get over it. It’ll just take some time.”

In her previous life, the villagers of Shuikou Village stood on Ye Ying’s side and scolded her for seducing the teachers from the city. Later, whenever Sun Dongqing returned to the village, she would publicize what shameful things she did outside. When Ye Ying returned from studying abroad in France, the villagers compared her to Ye Ying, and their hatred for her reached its peak.

Even though she was reborn... Ye Jian still couldn’t get over it.

Therefore, every time she came back, she would smile and reject the villagers’ invitation to visit their houses, let alone stay for dinner. She really couldn’t be calm when facing them.

This was Ye Jian’s deepest secret. Even when facing an empty big chair, it was very difficult for her to say it out loud. It was as if she had to dig out every word from the depths of her soul. Every word was wrapped in a layer of blood.

Fortunately, she could already face it calmly. Although her words were still full of hurt, her expression was especially relaxed.

The faint barking of a dog woke Ye Jian up. She only blinked slightly. The kind smile of the old man, who seemed to be listening to her from the big chair, suddenly disappeared. Ye Jian blinked again. Facing the empty big chair, the smile on her lips deepened.

She knew what she’d said and that she’d been talking to herself the whole time. She just wanted to say it, to tell the secrets she’d been keeping until they were engraved in her bones... She would feel better after saying it.

That was it. No one else needed to know about these secrets. It was fine to just keep them to herself.

Ye Jian took a deep breath and stood up. Under the light, her eyes were like a clear lotus in the early morning after the rain. She looked strong after experiencing the wind and rain.

She started a fire in the kitchen. Ye Jian, who had added dry wood, set up the copper kettle that had been refilled with water. After washing her hands, she opened a waterproof and damp-proof leather bag.

Her expression was solemn. When she took out the items from the leather bag, Ye Jian's fingertips trembled.

She had just retrieved the bag from the closet. These were her mother's belongings.

There were two journals. She opened the first as she warmed herself.

The journal recorded the daily life of a soldier and the love of a female soldier.

[There's no more news of the man I love. It's as if he had simply vanished. He vanished, while I became pregnant. He left his bloodline behind to remind me that my love affair with him wasn't a dream.

[I went back to the village and married an honest, good-natured young man from the next village. He's a poor man too. He'll never be able to have children of his own.]

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Ye Jian slowly flipped through it and read it seriously. The lines of words allowed her to enter her mother's life and know what a strong woman her mother was.

However, she also felt sorry for her mother. It was undoubtedly shocking to have a child before marriage in that era. Fortunately, her mother met her father and had a family. Then, she was born.