

Kiss Me 281

Chapter 281: A Sad Figure under the Heavy Rain...

Tengtang Li was furious as he glared angrily at Shi Yuting.

The guests and media in the banquet hall were also so surprised that they were at a loss for words.

What kind of situation was this?

Did Shi Yuting just slap his fiancée? Was this really happening?

However, Shi Yuting simply glanced coldly at both Tengtang Li and Tengtang Xi. His eyes were so dark and cold that there was no warmth in his eyes at all.

Shi Yuting glanced at Tengtang Xi coldly before he turned around and walked toward the door immediately.

“Stop right there!”

Shi Le yelled out loud.

However, Shi Yuting did not intend to stop at all as he continued walking forward.

“Stop him immediately!”

Shi Le quickly commanded all the bodyguards who were standing guard nearby.

After that, about seven or eight bodyguards rushed forward to block Shi Yuting from leaving the mansion.

After that, Shi Le’s voice sounded again as he commanded the bodyguards, “I want all the media and reporters out of here right now! The engagement banquet ends right now!”

As soon as they heard his words, the captain of the bodyguards nodded and said, “Yes, sir!”

“Make sure that no one says a word about everything that happened here today!”

“Yes, sir.”

The bodyguard quickly walked down the step to carry out the order given to him.

Shi Yuting’s face was very dark as he faced the bodyguards who were fully dressed in black.

He was about to explode in anger.

Boom!

The thunder and lightning flashed outside the window, and the banquet hall was filled with the annoying sound of the raindrops hitting the windowsill.

Right now, all Shi Yuting could think of was Zuo Weiyi crying alone in the rain.

Where could she possibly be?

Would she ever return to the seaside villa?

The heavy rain continued pouring in City Z.

Zuo Weiyi was walking aimlessly on the side of the road as she was drenched in the heavy rain. It was already autumn but she did not feel cold at all. All that she could feel right now was the pain in her heart.

She did not know how long she had walked, and she did not know where she was.

She simply wanted to walk aimlessly until she reached the end of the world.

She felt as though her heart had already been ripped into pieces as images of Shi Yuting putting on the engagement ring on Tengtang Xi's finger kept flashing through her mind.

Tears continued flowing down her face and Zuo Weiyi could no longer tell if it was rain or her tears.

Zuo Weiyi could not hear anything in her surroundings, and she did not care at all as she continued walking forward like a zombie.

Zuo Weiyi did not realize that her pink laced bra was already visible as her white t-shirt was already drenched in rain. This was an extremely attractive sight to the two men who were riding on a motorcycle behind her!

"Brother, look! That girl is so fine!"

As soon as the two men saw Zuo Weiyi, they quickly slowed down the motorcycle as they followed slowly behind Zuo Weiyi.

"Yes, she is really fine. Just look at her perfect figure and her beautiful legs..." the other man could not help but raise his hand to stroke his chin as he stared at Zuo Weiyi perversely. It was completely impossible for him to look away.

Since it was raining so heavily, there were not many pedestrians on the street. Moreover, this was usually a very quiet road with very few pedestrians and cars passing by. Even today, there were only a few private cars passing through this road from time to time.

The two men stared at the sad figure walking under the rain before they increased the speed of the motorcycle and stopped right in front of Zuo Weiyi, blocking her way completely.

"Beautiful, are you alone?"

Zuo Weiyi only raised her head when she realized that someone was blocking her way. Her silky black hair was completely wet, sticking to her cheeks.

Chapter 282: Get Lost!

Zuo Weiyi slowly raised her head when they blocked her way. Her silky black hair was sticking to the side of her cheeks. Zuo Weiyi's eyes were dark. She did not say anything as she stared at the two men in front of her.

Even after seeing the two men in front of her, Zuo Weiyi did not feel any fear at all. This was because she could not feel anything at all, except for the pain in her heart.

Zuo Weiyi lifted her head as she glanced at the two men before she moved to the side and walked passed the motorcycle before she continued walking forward.

“Oh, what’s wrong little beauty? Did your boyfriend break your heart?”

When the two men saw that she was completely ignoring them, they became even more interested in her. Therefore, they moved their motorcycle as they tried to block Zuo Weiyi’s way again.

“Why? Did you get dumped by your boyfriend? Come on, both of us can accompany you today.”

After that, the two men quickly stepped off the motorcycle before they tried to stop Zuo Weiyi from running away.

Zuo Weiyi raised her head under the heavy rain and when she looked around her, she could only see the two men who were standing in front of her. She had a blank expression on her face as she turned around and tried to walk past both of them.

However, the two men reached out and grabbed hold of her to stop her from going away.

“Oh, are you feeling shy now?”

Zuo Weiyi glared at the two men before she yelled, hoarsely, “Go away. Leave me alone.”

“Oh, a feisty girl. I like that...”

It was only at this moment that Zuo Weiyi suddenly noticed that she did not know where she was right now. She had been walking aimlessly for quite some time, and she was now at a strange and unfamiliar place. Zuo Weiyi looked around her and could only see the two men standing in front of her as there was no one else around.

“Are you heartbroken right now? It is okay. We promise to make you very happy tonight!”

The man quickly promised that he would do something to make her happy.

Zuo Weiyi immediately took a few steps backward when she noticed that she was in danger.

“What are you trying to do?”

“I am not trying to do anything. I just want to make you happy...”

“Go away!”

Zuo Weiyi yelled when she saw the two men approaching her. She turned around and tried to run in the other direction.

However, as soon as she turned around, one of the men quickly grabbed her T-shirt before pulling her back to them. “Don’t run away from us. We are very good people, and we will make sure that you are very comforted and happy tonight.”

“Get lost! Get away from me!”

Zuo Weiyi tried to fight back as she struggled to get out of the man's grasp.

However, the more she struggled, the more excited the two men were.

One of the men hugged her tightly in his arms as they tried to drag her to the nearby park.

"Let go of me! Let go of me now!"

Zuo Weiyi suddenly felt fear in her heart when she realized the danger that was approaching.

When she felt the man wrapping his arms tightly around her, Zuo Weiyi lowered her head and bit into his arm immediately.

"Ahh!"

The man screamed when he felt the sharp pain in his arm as he let go of her immediately. Zuo Weiyi took advantage of this opportunity to run out of the park as fast as she could.

She was in a state of panic. She and she was running so quickly that she did not notice the Rolls-Royce that was driving toward her.

Squeak!

There was a rapid braking sound and when Zuo Weiyi turned her head, she could see a dazzling light coming from not too far away...

The car braked hard!

The two men seated at the back of the car were also shocked.

"What happened?"

After the car came to a complete stop, Gu Yansheng who was seated in the back seat raised his head to look at the driver sitting in the driver's seat.

"A woman has rushed out so suddenly. I think we have hit her!"

"Go down and have a look!"

Chapter 283: Grandpa Zuo, I Will Go Down and Take a Look

Zuo Yi, who was sitting beside Gu Yansheng, spoke anxiously, "Yes, sir!"

The driver hurriedly got out of the car as soon as he heard the man's instructions and saw Zuo Weiyi who was sitting in front of the car with a scared and panicked expression on her face. She looked extremely pale as though there was no blood in her face at all.

"Miss, are you okay?"

The driver bent over as he tried to help Zuo Weiyi up.

The two men who were chasing her came out of the park. When they saw someone getting off from the car, they did not dare to step forward and approach her anymore. After that, they quickly turned around as they ran toward the motorcycle that was located not too far away before they rode off immediately.

Gu Yansheng who was sitting at the back of the car turned around before saying to Zuo Yi, "Grandpa Zuo, I will go down and take a look."

Zuo Yi glanced at Gu Yansheng before he nodded because he was also a little worried about what was happening.

Gu Yansheng got out of the car and was shocked when he saw the woman who was sitting on the ground in front of the car.

"Weiyi?"

Gu Yansheng stared at the woman, who was sitting in front of the car in the heavy rain, in disbelief. He noticed that Zuo Weiyi's face was completely pale.

Zuo Weiyi was very frightened but she could still feel the pain and grievance in her heart. She hugged her knees helplessly, and her body trembled uncontrollably as she continued sobbing.

"Weiyi, what happened? What is wrong?"

Gu Yansheng squatted down next to Zuo Weiyi and felt as though his heart was torn apart when he looked at the state that she was in.

Zuo Weiyi became even more sensitive and afraid when she felt Gu Yansheng's touch. She shivered in fear as she looked up at him with a horrified expression on her face.

Gu Yansheng did not know what was wrong with her. She was completely drenched and in a daze. His heart ached as he looked at her.

In order to find out what was happening, Zuo Yi stepped out of the car to check out the situation. The driver quickly held out an umbrella for him as they walked toward Gu Yansheng and Zuo Weiyi.

Zuo Yi also frowned in shock when he saw the person sitting on the ground.

"Weiyi..."

Gu Yansheng was slightly surprised when he heard Zuo Yi calling her name.

He raised his head and glanced at Zuo Yi because he was wondering how he knew Zuo Weiyi's name.

However, he was more concerned about Zuo Weiyi at this moment. Therefore, he turned around and tried to help Zuo Weiyi up to her feet.

As soon as he stretched out his hand, Zuo Weiyi closed her eyes and fainted in his arms.

"Weiyi!"

Gu Yansheng quickly held her in his arms and was extremely worried at this time.

"Carry her to the car!"

Zuo Yi was also very anxious when he saw that Zuo Weiyi had already fainted.

At ten o'clock that night, Shi Yuting was already going insane. He had already sent people out to look for Zuo Weiyi all around the city but even though a few hours had already passed, there was no news of her at all.

Damn it! Where did she go?

After walking out of Shi Mansion, Shi Yuting saw the red Maserati that was parked outside the entrance. This was the car that he had especially gotten for her. Therefore, he knew that she had really come to Shi Mansion today and left when she thought that he was going to exchange rings with Tengtang Xi!

Shi Yuting felt very nervous and anxious when he could not find her.

At the same time, Gu Yansheng was standing in front of the bed in a luxurious villa as he stared intently at the person who was still unconscious in bed.

"Yansheng, how did you get to know Weiyi?"

Zuo Yi's voice sounded behind him.

Gu Yansheng turned around to face Zuo Yi because he was asking him the same question that he wanted to ask him.

"I lived in this city with my parents when I was younger, and Weiyi attended the same school as me."

Zuo Yi nodded after listening to Gu Yansheng's reply. "So, that is the reason why."

"What about you? How do you know her?"

Zuo Yi was the president of Country C, and Gu Yansheng could not comprehend why Zuo Yi would know an ordinary person like Zuo Weiyi.

Chapter 284: She is Pregnant?

Zuo Yi could only press his thin lips gently together when he was faced with Gu Yansheng's question. After that, he replied, "We met by chance."

By chance?

Even though Gu Yansheng was puzzled, he did not have any doubts in Zuo Yi's words at all.

"Grandpa Zuo, can I stay here to accompany Weiyi tonight?"

Initially, he had wanted to send Zuo Weiyi back to her house. However, for some reason, Grandpa Zuo insisted on bringing her back to his villa instead.

After looking at Gu Yansheng, Zuo Yi nodded as he replied, "Yes, of course."

Since Gu Yansheng was friends with Zuo Weiyi, it would be great if he stayed the night to accompany her.

Zuo Yi was filled with guilt as he thought about Shen Ruoxi.

He raised his eyes as he looked at the young woman who was lying in bed. How could he ever make it up to them after so many decades?

After glancing at the person on the bed, Zuo Yi turned around before he exited the bedroom.

Gu Yansheng stayed by Zuo Weiyi's side through the entire night until dawn the next morning.

The bright and glaring sun shone brightly through the glass window.

Zuo Weiyi opened her eyes slightly and the first thing that caught her eyes was the completely strange and unfamiliar ceiling.

"Weiyi, you are finally awake!"

Zuo Weiyi tilted her head and turned around to look in the direction of the voice and was surprised to see Gu Yansheng's handsome face next to her.

She felt very puzzled as she looked around the strange room.

No, something did not feel right.

She seemed to have seen this bedroom before.

After thinking for a short while, Zuo Weiyi finally recalled that this was one of the bedrooms in Grandpa Zuo's villa.

Why was she here?

Zuo Weiyi was bewildered and in the next second, all the scenes from last night flooded into her memory. She shuddered from the thought and could feel her heart shattering all over again.

She was in a daze and was so immersed in her own thoughts that she had completely ignored Gu Yansheng who was seated next to her bed.

"Weiyi, tell me what happened yesterday. What were you doing all alone on the streets last night?"

Zuo Weiyi finally gave a slight reaction after listening to his question.

She raised her eyes to look at the man sitting next to her.

"Why did you tell me..."

Gu Yansheng was startled.

Was she referring to Shi Yuting's engagement?

Did Zuo Weiyi rush over to the engagement party? Was that the reason why she was in despair last night?

If his driver had not braked on time, she would have been killed from being hit the car last night. Gu Yansheng was a little angry when he thought about it.

He thought that Zuo Weiyi would choose to leave Shi Yuting after finding out about the engagement banquet. However, he would never have expected Zuo Weiyi to actually be willing to die for Shi Yuting!

“So, you wanted to die after finding out the truth?”

As soon as she heard his words, Zuo Weiyi looked at Gu Yansheng and asked, “I wanted to die?”

“Do you know that if the driver had not stop the car in time, both you and the child in your stomach would have been dead already?!” Gu Yansheng raised his voice a little as he was very angry and frustrated at this time.

Zuo Weiyi was stunned again.

Child?

The child in her stomach?

She was pregnant?

“Weiyi, he does not love you at all. Is it really worth it for you to lose your life because of a man like him?” Gu Yansheng asked her with eyes filled with pain and grief.

Zuo Weiyi looked at him blankly as she asked, “Did you say that there is a child in my stomach?”

Gu Yansheng was silent for a few seconds when he saw the surprised look on her face. “You did not know that you are pregnant?”

Pregnant...

Zuo Weiyi lowered her head as she looked at her flat belly.

In fact, she felt that something was wrong with her body for the past week but she had thought that it was simply because of the change in the weather. She did not expect that she was actually pregnant!

As she thought about it, she recalled that she had not been taking any birth control pills for a while now.

She was pregnant... with Shi Yuting’s child.

Chapter 285: I Will Protect You From Now On

Zuo Weiyi touched her flat belly, and she felt very complicated.

She felt a little happy but also felt a little bitterness in her heart.

At this moment, the bedroom door was pushed open.

Both Zuo Weiyi and Gu Yansheng raised their heads and saw Zuo Yi walking into the bedroom.

Zuo Yi was finally relieved when he saw that Zuo Weiyi had already woken up.

“How are you feeling now? Are you feeling any discomfort anywhere? If you are feeling unwell, you have to tell Grandpa Zuo.”

Zuo Yi approached the bed before he sat down on the single sofa next to the bed. He looked at Zuo Weiyi adoringly, and his tone was very gentle and kind.

Zuo Weiyi raised her eyes as she looked at Zuo Yi sorrowfully.

“Did you save me?”

Zuo Yi could still feel the fear in his heart as he recalled the thrilling scene from last night as he looked at the haggard expression on Zuo Weiyi’s face.

If she had really lost her life when his car hit her, he would rather be dead.

“You don’t have to worry about anything in the future. I will protect you from now on!”

Zuo Weiyi was slightly startled when he heard his words.

Even though she knew that Grandpa Zuo had always been very kind to her, she was still very surprised when he said that.

She was not related to him at all. So, why should he be protecting her like this?

Zuo Yi was staring at Zuo Weiyi worriedly.

Gu Yansheng was also surprised by Zuo Yi’s words.

He had never seen Grandpa Zuo being so kind to anyone else besides himself.

Moreover, Grandpa Zuo was the president of Country C, and even though he was always kind to his people, he had never extended his kindness and generosity toward anyone else in such a personal manner. Gu Yansheng felt that the way that Zuo Yi was taking care of and pampering Zuo Weiyi was obviously beyond the ordinary.

Zuo Weiyi did not say anything because all that she could think about was the baby in her stomach.

“Weiyi, why don’t you live here from now on?” Zuo Yi asked as he looked at the person lying in bed again.

Zuo Weiyi raised her head as she stared at Zuo Yi in a daze.

Live here?

Yes, the world was so big and there might not be a place in this world for her.

However, she was not that close to Grandpa Zuo, and she was not related to him at all. So, would it be appropriate for her to live here?

“Why are you so nice and kind to me?”

Zuo Weiyi asked Zuo Yi as she had a lot of doubts in her mind.

Ever since her mother passed away, Zuo Weiyi thought that Shi Yuting would be the only person in this world who would ever treat her well besides her best friend, Bei Xingchen!

Unexpectedly, the person that she thought would treat her well was all just a deception at the end of the day.

Now, an old gentleman suddenly appeared out of nowhere, and he wanted to take care of her... as though she was his family.

Zuo Yi was completely caught off guard by Zuo Weiyi's sudden question.

Forty years ago, he had let her grandmother, Shen Ruoxi, down. However, how could he possibly tell her that she was his granddaughter when he was now the president of Country C?

Moreover, would she be willing to trust him?

After staying silent for a short while, Zuo Yi finally replied, "It's just because I think we are fated to meet."

Fated?

Zuo Weiyi felt a little lost when she looked at Zuo Yi.

There were so many people in this world. So, why would he feel as though he was bound to her by fate?

"Thank you for your kind offer but I think that it would be a little inconvenient for me to live with you. I think it will be better for me to leave."

Zuo Weiyi would not be able to get used to living in a stranger's house for no reason at all.

Zuo Yi naturally felt a little disappointed at her refusal.

He wanted to keep her by his side to make up for the debt that he owed her grandmother and mother for the past few decades.

Besides that, he was already getting old, and he would not be able to live for much longer in this world. He wanted to live and enjoy the rest of his life with his only living relative in this world. He wanted to enjoy the feeling of living and spending time with a family member.

Chapter 286: This Has Nothing to Do With You

He decided not to get married and had spent his life all alone because of Shen Ruoxi.

In the beginning, he did not know that Shen Ruoxi was pregnant when she left. He only found out about it a few years ago when he met Shen Ruoxi's best friend. Shen Ruoxi's best friend was the one who told him that Shen Ruoxi was actually pregnant when she left him forty years ago!

Therefore, Zuo Yi had spent the past few years looking for her, and it was only after meeting Zuo Weiyi that he finally found out that Shen Ruoxi had already passed away a long time ago.

When Zuo Yi thought about Shen Ruoxi, who was forced by his father to leave his side, he felt his heart aching terribly.

"Don't think too much about it. You can stay here and regain your health first."

After that, Zuo Yi got up and left the bedroom immediately.

After checking on her last night, the doctor said that the baby in her stomach was not in good condition. Moreover, since she had experienced some spotting previously, she should be extra cautious now to ensure the baby's safety.

Zuo Weiyi did not know why she felt a trace of grief and loneliness as she watched the old man walking away slowly.

Was this just her illusion?

Gu Yansheng glanced at Zuo Yi who was leaving and agreed with his words.

If Zuo Weiyi did not want to live here, she could move into his residence instead.

“Weiyi, if you do not want to continue living here in Grandpa Zuo’s villa, you can move in with me, okay?”

Zuo Weiyi raised her eyes and glanced at Gu Yansheng before she replied, calmly, “No, thank you. I have somewhere I can go to.”

“Where do you intend to go? Are you really going to return to Shi Yuting’s side again?”

Zuo Weiyi could feel her heart aching when she heard the words ‘Shi Yuting’.

Should she go back to his side so that she could continue being the woman that he was keeping on the side?

“This has nothing to do with you,” Zuo Weiyi replied, coldly.

Gu Yansheng could obviously feel that alienation in her tone, and he knew that it was inevitable for her to react that way because of the pain that she was feeling right now.

Even if Shi Yuting hurt her badly, she would still choose to keep her distance from him.

If Shi Yuting did not exist, would Zuo Weiyi have chosen him then?

As both of them were sitting in silence, someone suddenly knocked on the bedroom door.

“Mr. Gu, Miss Zuo, the old master is asking for both of you to go down for breakfast.” Uncle Yu was standing at the door as he spoke to them kindly.

Uncle Yu’s eyes were filled with relief when he saw Zuo Weiyi.

Even though Shen Ruoxi had already passed away a long time ago, he was glad that Zuo Yi finally found Zuo Weiyi because she was his only living relative in this world.

After conveying the message, Uncle Yu turned around and headed downstairs immediately.

Gu Yansheng also stood up and said, “Why don’t you change out of your clothes before coming downstairs?”

Zuo Weiyi was dressed in pajamas, and it was naturally inconvenient for Gu Yansheng to wait for her in the bedroom as she needed to change. Therefore, he stood up and explained himself before he headed downstairs immediately.

After everyone left the bedroom, Zuo Weiyi sat up and finally got out of bed cautiously.

She would never have expected that she was carrying another life in her flat belly.

What should she do with this child?

Should she give birth to this child and repeat her mother's mistakes?

However, Zuo Weiyi could feel her heart throbbing whenever she thought about losing this life inside of her!

This was the child that she had with Shi Yuting. No matter what happened, she would do everything in her capability to protect the baby!

Suddenly, someone knocked on her bedroom door again. Zuo Weiyi looked up as she stared at the door. Without her permission, the person standing outside the door did not open the door at all.

Zuo Weiyi was stunned and replied a few seconds later, "Please come in."

After Zuo Weiyi replied, the maid entered the bedroom and smiled before she said respectfully, "Miss Zuo, your clothes are ready."

The maid brought a neat stack of clothes into the bedroom and placed it on the sofa before she backed out of the bedroom.

Chapter 287: How Did She Pass Away?

Zuo Weiyi was stunned for a moment when she saw the set of neat clothes on the sofa. After that, she went to the bathroom to wash up before she put on the set of new autumn clothes.

After that, she headed downstairs, and Uncle Yu led into the dining room.

"Weiyi, come. Come and sit here."

Zuo Yi stretched out his hand and gestured for her to sit at the closest seat next to him after he saw Zuo Weiyi walking into the dining room.

Zuo Weiyi glanced at the seat next to Zuo Yi and hurried over.

That seat was directly opposite Gu Yansheng.

Zuo Weiyi sat down and glanced at the rich and hearty breakfast laid before her but she did not have any appetite at all.

When Zuo Yi saw her holding the bowl with no intention of eating, he felt a little distressed. "Why? Is the food very unappetizing to you?"

As she was faced with his concern, Zuo Weiyi felt a sense of warmth in her heart even though she was still a little lost.

She was not related to Grandpa Zuo, and she was not a part of his family. Was he really being kind to her just because he felt that both of them were fated to meet? Was that the reason why he was treating her as though she was a part of his family?

Zuo Weiyi raised her head as she looked at Zuo Yi before she replied, "No, Grandpa Zuo. I have no appetite lately."

It was not only today but Zuo Weiyi had already lost all her appetite lately.

Zuo Yi and Gu Yansheng have never encountered a woman who was going through a pregnancy in their lives. Therefore, they did not know that it was only natural for a pregnant woman to lose her appetite. They simply assumed that Zuo Weiyi had no appetite because of Shi Yuting.

When he thought about this, Gu Yansheng could not help but say,, “Weiyi, when the doctor examined you last night, he said that the fetus in your stomach is in poor health and you need some good conditioning to ensure that your pregnancy is stable. So, even if you have no appetite... you should still eat a little.”

As soon as she heard Gu Yansheng’s words, Zuo Weiyi was immediately startled.

The child in her belly was unstable and in poor health?

Gu Yansheng knew that she was worried when he saw the sudden change in her expression, and he quickly explained, “You don’t have to worry too much. As long as you take good care of your own body, your baby will grow up healthily.”

Zuo Weiyi was relieved when she heard his explanation.

She lowered her eyes and looked at the bowl of white porridge in front of her as she thought about the baby in her belly. In the end, even though she did not have any appetite and did not feel like eating at all, she picked up the spoon and started eating her porridge slowly.

Zuo Yi’s heart was also at ease when he saw Zuo Weiyi eating her porridge obediently. This was the first time in decades since he felt that breakfast was so appetizing!

After having breakfast, Zuo Weiyi was already planning to leave Grandpa Zuo’s villa.

However, Zuo Yi suddenly called her into his study room.

As soon as she walked into his study room, she saw that Zuo Yi was standing in front of the oil painting as he stared at the woman in the oil painting lovingly.

When he heard her footsteps, Zuo Yi turned around and looked at Zuo Weiyi with a smile on his face.

“The woman in the painting was once my favorite and most important woman in my life.”

Zuo Weiyi was startled when she heard his words.

She did not know why Grandpa Zuo was suddenly telling her this.

Did he want to talk about his past?

As she thought about it, Zuo Weiyi followed up with a question.

“How did she pass away?”

“I heard that she died of an illness.”

Heard that?

Zuo Weiyi frowned immediately.

How could he hear about how his lover had died? Was he not clear about it?

“Don’t you know how she passed away?”

Zuo Yi shook his head slightly when he heard her question but he continued staring at the oil painting without taking his eyes off it.

“She left at the peak of my life, silently, without informing me at all.”

Zuo Yi thought about forty years ago when he returned to his residence, and all that was left to greet him was just a note left behind by Shen Ruoxi.

Chapter 288: Old Master, Mr. Shi is Here

He looked all over the country for her, and he even went to all of her previous places of employment and all the places that she frequented but could not find her at all. It seemed as though she had completely evaporated from this world and no matter how hard he looked, he could not find her at all.

About a year later, he found out that she was already married with a child.

After hearing the news, he felt that his heart was already broken into pieces.

Since then, he stopped looking for her and devoted his life to handle all the national affairs. He kept himself busy all the time so that he could stop himself from thinking about her.

“Why did she leave?” Zuo Weiyi asked as she raised her head. She was filled with curiosity about this matter.

She wanted to know why the person whom Grandpa Zuo loved so dearly chose to leave his side and whether he managed to find her again.

However, after thinking about what he just said, it was obvious that she never returned to him.

At this point, Zuo Yi turned around and faced her with a firm expression on his face.

“Because of my identity.”

Zuo Weiyi frowned immediately.

In fact, she still did not know who Grandpa Zuo was and what his identity was.

Even though she had some assumptions in her heart, she wanted him to tell her personally.

After listening to his answer, Zuo Weiyi felt that the reason why his lover left him was because of his identity and also the differences in their family background.

Was this not the same situation that she was experiencing with Shi Yuting?

No, it was different.

Because in her relationship with Shi Yuting, his grandfather was not the only obstruction.

Zuo Weiyi felt a sharp pain in her heart as she thought about the scene last night where Shi Yuting was standing next to Tengtang Xi as the both of them held onto the wedding rings that they were about to exchange with one another.

She lowered her eyes sadly as her heart was aching terribly.

Zuo Yi finally spoke up after looking at the sad expression on Zuo Weiyi's face.

"Weiyi, in fact, the woman in the painting is..."

"Knock, knock, knock."

As soon as Zuo Yi spoke, someone started knocking on the study room door.

Both of them turned around to look in the direction of the door, and they saw Uncle Yu standing in front of the door.

"Old Master, Mr. Shi is here..."

"Zuo Weiyi!"

Before Uncle Yu could even finish speaking, he was violently pushed aside. After that, Zuo Weiyi heard a very familiar and domineering voice. Shi Yuting was here!

Shi Yuting pushed Uncle Yu away from the entrance of the study room before he rushed in immediately. He felt that his heart was finally at peace when he saw the person that he had been desperately looking for.

He felt that he was about to go insane when he could not find her anywhere!

Zuo Weiyi felt her heart aching, even more, the moment she saw him. Her mind was filled with images of Shi Yuting and Tengtang Xi at their engagement banquet.

Uncle Yu quickly stepped forward and said, "Mr. Shi, you are being too unreasonable!"

Uncle Yu tried to pull Shi Yuting away but Zuo Yi raised his hand to stop him.

Shi Yuting turned a blind eye to Uncle Yu and Zuo Yi's existence and was only staring at the person standing in front of him, as though he was afraid that she would disappear in a blink of an eye.

He continued staring at her for a few seconds and when he was finally certain that she was real, he finally calmed himself down.

Shi Yuting stretched out his hand and pulled her into his arms, hugging her tightly so that he could be sure that she was real!

In the past, Zuo Weiyi would always feel warmth and sweetness when he held her like this but right now, all that she felt was a sharp pain in her heart.

Zuo Weiyi pushed him away in the next second as tears welled up in her eyes.

"Why did you lie to me?"

Even though Zuo Weiyi had a very cold expression on her face, she could not disguise the pain that she was feeling in her eyes.

Chapter 289: Explanation

He knew that she had misunderstood him last night.

“I did not lie to you.”

However, his frankness was a form of pain to Zuo Weiyi.

He told her not to watch the television last night because he was afraid that she would find out that he would be getting engaged to Tengtang Xi. However, he did not know that she was at his engagement banquet last night.

Zuo Weiyi felt as if a sharp dagger was piercing through her heart when she thought about his deceit.

She could not stop the tears from rolling down her cheeks.

“You told me that you would never put a ring on another woman!”

“I did not!”

“You are lying!” Zuo Weiyi yelled out immediately.

She saw it with her own eyes but he was still denying it!

Shi Yuting felt as though someone was crushing his heart when he saw that she was in so much pain.

“I did not lie to you!” He repeated himself, word by word, as he looked into her eyes. He had never felt the need to explain anything so clearly in his twenty-eight years of life. He needed her to trust and believe in him.

“No, you are lying to me! I saw it myself. You were exchanging rings with her...”

As she thought about the scene that she witnessed last night, Zuo Weiyi felt as though she was already suffocating.

“Did you stay back and watched everything all the way to the end?”

Zuo Weiyi refused to believe him, and Shi Yuting could not help but feel extremely helpless and distressed.

As soon as she heard his words, Zuo Weiyi could only blankly stare at the man standing before her.

No, she did not stay all the way until the end of the engagement banquet. They had already taken out the rings and were already prepared to exchange rings with one another. Was he really that cruel to expect her to stay to watch them do that?

Was it not enough that he was deceiving her? Did he really expect her to watch him putting on the engagement ring on Tengtang Xi’s finger?

As she thought about it, Zuo Weiyi felt even sadder and her heart ached even more. She could not stop the tears from flowing down her cheeks.

Shi Yuting was also in a lot of pain when he saw her crying so pitifully.

He stretched out his hands as he embraced her tightly in his arms.

“Even if I have to give the whole world up, I would never lie to you.”

His voice was very calm and composed with a trace of hoarseness but Zuo Weiyi felt even more hurt after listening to his words as she leaned against his chest.

“But you obviously...”

“No, I did not. Since you already came, why didn’t you stay until the end?”

If she had stayed until the end, she would not have misunderstood him, and her heart would not be aching right now.

As he thought about how Zuo Weiyi must have felt when she left last night, Shi Yuting felt so many regrets, and he really wanted to punch himself in the face.

Stay until the end?

Zuo Weiyi finally calmed down in his arms.

Was he telling her that the result would be different if she had stayed until the end of the banquet?

Zuo Weiyi pushed him away as she stared at him and asked, “So, you are not engaged to Tengtang Xi?”

“No.”

“But...”

“I am telling you, no!”

Shi Yuting looked at her with a very firm expression on his face.

Zuo Weiyi was at a loss for words.

She could tell that Shi Yuting was not lying at all. So, was he really not engaged to Tengtang Xi?

What happened last night?

Zuo Weiyi had a blank expression on her face as she stared at the handsome man standing in front of her.

Shi Yuting completely ignored the presence of others as he raised his hands and cupped her delicate face with them, before putting his forehead against hers as he spoke to her very gently.

“I would never lie to you. Trust me.”

His voice seemed to be very magical, and Zuo Weiyi did not know what to think anymore.

She could not doubt the man standing before her.

“Cough! Cough!”

At this time, Zuo Yi who was standing nearby, cleared his throat to remind the couple that there were still other people in the room.

Chapter 290: I Do Not Understand What You Mean

Zuo Weiyi finally remembered that Grandpa Zuo and Uncle Yu were also in the study room with them.

She quickly pushed Shi Yuting away and made a gesture, drawing a line between both of them. After that, she stood aside as she looked at Zuo Yi.

Zuo Yi glanced at her before turning to Shi Yuting angrily.

Shi Yuting also had a serious expression on his face when he saw Zuo Yi.

However, Shi Yuting did not say anything and simply pulled the person standing next to him along with him as he said, "Let's go home."

Before Zuo Weiyi had time to react, Shi Yuting had already dragged her toward the door.

"Stop!"

Zuo Yi's voice sounded behind them.

Shi Yuting stopped in his tracks when he heard his voice. After that, he turned around as he stared at Zuo Yi.

"Let go of her."

The expression on Zuo Yi's face was very ugly as he looked at the both of them holding hands.

Shi Yuting frowned immediately.

Was he asking him to let go of Zuo Weiyi's hand?

Zuo Weiyi was also shocked.

She could tell that Grandpa Zuo did not seem to like Shi Yuting at all.

No. Did they know each other?

"I do not understand what you mean," Shi Yuting replied, calmly, as he looked at Zuo Yi.

"Will you be able to give her a future? If you can't give her a future, then I want you to let go of her hand now," Zuo Yi replied immediately. He had already heard about the arranged marriage between the Shi family and the Tengtang family a long time ago. However, he was really surprised when he heard that they had chosen to hold their engagement banquet at Country Z.

Zuo Yi glared at Shi Yuting very coldly.

Zuo Weiyi could not help but feel very surprised.

In her impression, Grandpa Zuo had always been a very nice person, regardless of whether it was toward her or even Gu Yansheng. However, when he was facing Shi Yuting right now, he was obviously very cold as though he really disliked Shi Yuting.

“Do you know each other?”

Zuo Weiyi asked suddenly when she witnessed their confrontation with one another.

Shi Yuting turned around to look at her and frowned when he heard her question.

“Don’t you know who he is?”

Zuo Weiyi had a blank expression on her face as she replied, “Know what?”

Seeing that Zuo Weiyi did not know anything at all, Shi Yuting turned around to look at Zuo Yi, only to notice the indifferent and straight expression on his face.

It seemed as though Zuo Yi had concealed his identity in front of Zuo Weiyi.

“Nothing.”

Since Zuo Yi did not tell her about his identity, Shi Yuting naturally did not expose it either.

Even though Zuo Yi had always been rivals with his grandfather, Shi Yuting had always been a bystander and had never once interfered in their affairs.

Shi Yuting simply looked at Zuo Yi before he said, “It seems as though you have no right to interfere in this matter since it is between the both of us.”

Zuo Yi could not help but tighten his grasp on his wooden cane when he heard Shi Yuting’s words.

She was his granddaughter! How could he possibly not have the right to interfere in her affair?

However, there was no way for him to reveal the truth now.

He was the president of Country C, and he had never been married. What would the citizens think of him if he revealed that he actually had a granddaughter?

His position would be relegated in half a year and by then, he should be able to make this matter known to the public even though it would inevitably cause an uproar.

After all, who would have imagined that the president of Country C would actually have an illegitimate daughter?

Zuo Yi could only stare silently at Zuo Weiyi as there was no way for him to reveal the truth now.

“Do you want to go back with him?”

If he could, he wanted to keep her by his side so that he could spend the rest of his life with her.

As she faced Zuo Yi’s sudden question, Zuo Weiyi was slightly startled. She quickly looked up at Shi Yuting’s face.

After all, this was not her home. Even though Grandpa Zuo was very kind toward her, she could not possibly live here as she did not belong here anyway.