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As soon as Renee entered the funeral home, Mia noticed him. Mia ran over and grabbed Renee's hand, anxiously sizing her up. "Mom, where did you go? Who drove you back?"

Renee looked back and saw that Fabian's car had gone far away. She took a deep breath and said, "I'm going for a walk. It's too stuffy here. No one drove me back."

Mia did not believe her.

Mia followed Renee's gaze and did not see anyone suspicious. Noticing that her mother had returned safely, she did not pursue the matter further. Mia led her mother inside.

On the balcony, Ethan won the first round. While waiting, he lit a cigarette and glanced at the mourning hall out of the corner of his eye. He saw Mia come back with Renee and noticed Renee did not look well. He pushed the bills in front of him and said, "It's over. I have something important to do, so I will leave you there."

Ethan got up and hung his coat in the crook of his arm. His movements were smooth and dashing. Ethan said he would stop playing, and no one dare to ask him to stay. Ethan left, and another guest took his place. The game continued.

Ethan did not look at Brandon but at Renee. His voice was indescribably gentle. "Renee, I'll drive you back."

Renee looked around. Then, she suddenly grabbed Ethan's sleeve and pulled him to an obscure corner. "Ethan, you said you were my younger brother. You promised you would protect me for the rest of your life. Does that still count?"

Ethan didn't know what was wrong with Renee. He stared at Renee and nodded.

Renee could feel Ethan's love for him.

Renee summoned his courage and said, "Ethan, let Rafael go. That child is only in his twenties. If he is really imprisoned, his life will be ruined."

Ethan pursed his lips tightly, not saying a word. His eyes swept across the entire place, but he could not find Fabian. He asked Renee, "Fabian asked you to plead for mercy?"

Renee and Ethan weren't close. Ever since Ethan found her, he had always been amiable. And now, the gloomy expression on Ethan's face still frightened Renee.

She did not dare to meet Ethan's threatening gaze. She looked away and swallowed. "Ethan, Fabian didn't. I wanted to ask for your help."

Ethan closed his eyes. Two seconds later, he slowly opened his red eyes. He grabbed Renee's thin shoulder and growled, "You are miserable because of Fabian. Now, you are actually pleading for his son. Don't you know what Rafael did to Mia? He ruined her."

After hearing Ethan's words, Renee became excited. She could not suppress her anger. She shouted at Ethan, "Mia is not my daughter. I have nothing to do with that drug dealer. It was all Lorena's doing. She was the mastermind and gave me to the drug dealer against my will. In fact, after I gave birth to Savanna, I got depression. At that time, the doctor told me I could not have children anymore."

When this matter was brought up, Renee was

extremely irritable, and her pupils dilated as if she wanted to eat the person who harmed her alive.

She tugged at her hair and said in a pained voice, "I don't have a uterus anymore. Ethan, if you are my brother, why don't you avenge me?"

Renee's pained voice was like a sharp blade that slashed at Ethan's heart.

Ethan felt a dull pain in his heart. He pulled Renee into his arms and whispered in her ear, "I swear I will avenge you, but Rafael cannot be released."

Ethan's refusal infuriated Renee. She raised her hand and slapped Ethan.

She roared, "You keep saying that you dote on me and love me. You are the same as Fabian. You are both liars."

Renee spat at Ethan.

Then, she turned around and prepared to leave. As soon as she took a step, she met Mia's tearful eyes. Renee knew that Mia had heard what she had just said.

"Mia...", Renee shouted.

Tears streamed down Mia's cheeks as she bit her lips and asked, "Because I am not your biological daughter, you asked me to do all the hard work. As a child worker, I can pay for your expensive medical expenses. You are not my biological mother. However, every time I am injured, you still take care of me. You let Rafael toy with me, and Rafael is only the son of the man you love. Even if I am not your real daughter, I have served you for so many years. But you still choose Rafael's side. Renee, you are mad with love. From now on, I will not serve you. We are done."

Mia's heart ached when she learned the truth.

She continued to retreat. Then she bumped into a hard chest. Mia turned around and met Brandon's probing eyes.

She wanted to call out to him but couldn't do it.

Now, Savanna was no longer her sister, so Brandon was naturally not her brother-in-law.

Mia wiped the tears from the corners of her eyes, turned around, and glared at Renee before running out of the mourning hall.

Renee wanted to chase after Mia. When she met Brandon's malicious gaze, Renee withdrew her leg. Her mind was not clear enough, but she could feel the vicious aura emanating from Brandon's body.

The anger rising in Brandon's made Renee flinch.

In particular, when Brandon and Ethan looked at each other, the sparks of fire and the cold air baffled

Renee.

Savanna sensed that something was wrong and immediately ran over. She looked at Ethan, gently pulled the corner of Brandon's clothes, and whispered, "The farewell ceremony is about to begin. Brandon, the mage asked me to call you over."

Brandon withdrew his gaze, curled his lips, and followed Savanna back to the mourning hall.

When Ethan left, Savanna walked out of the mourning hall. Savanna stopped Ethan who was about to get into the car. "Ethan."

Ethan stopped and looked at Savanna.

Savanna walked to Ethan and said in a low voice, "No matter what, it is all in the past. I hope that the old man can be at peace."

Ethan understood Savanna.

Savanna made it clear. She hoped that Ethan would not complicate matters.

Just now, Brandon's hostility towards Ethan had been obvious.

Everyone knew why Ethan stayed for so long, let alone the smart Brandon. He was looking for an opportunity to attack the dead.

Ethan stared at Savanna, and the stubbornness in his eyes was finally shaken by Savanna.

Ethan got into the car and left.

When he left, he took out his phone and made a call. "All of you, leave."

After receiving Ethan's order, all the men around the funeral home disappeared in an instant.

Savanna witnessed the whole thing and sighed in relief. When Savanna entered the mourning hall, Brandon was standing in front of the open coffin. His white lips were tightly pursed, and his gaze fell on Lorena who had makeup. He was silently bidding farewell to Lorena.

The coffin was closed, and the mage could not hear it clearly.

Brandon's vision went dark. He reached out to support himself against the wall to stabilize his swaying body. Savanna sensed that something was wrong with his expression. She quickly ran over to support him. "Seth, help him to the lounge."

Brandon refused, "No need."

He had to hold on until the moment the old lady was cremated.

The group sent the old lady's body to the crematorium.

Soon, her body was burned to ashes and put into a small box. Brandon held the box and was about to get into the car. His legs went limp, and he fell forward. The box fell out of his hand and made a loud bang in the middle of the night.

"Brandon."

"Shelton."

Savanna and Seth rushed forward to help Brandon.

Savanna did not want Renee to follow them. Savanna did not listen to her daughter's advice and followed them all the way to the crematorium.

Savanna and Seth helped Brandon into the car.

Jim quickly picked up the cinerary casket on the ground.

Fortunately, the box was tightly closed, and the lid did not fall from Brandon's arms.

It was a false alarm. Jim put the casket into the truck.

Seth drove, Brandon sat in the passenger seat, and Savanna helped Renee to the back seat. Jim also sat in the car and drove to the Young's house.

Brandon had worked hard for a long time. He was too weak and felt dizzy. The doctor came over to give him a check-up. When he found out Brandon was exhausted, the doctor asked Brandon to rest and left.

Savanna helped Brandon upstairs, took off his coat, and dried his body. When Brandon fell asleep, Savanna went downstairs. Jim and Seth went to the

guest room to rest.

Savanna arranged for Renee to stay in the room next to the room where Lorena used to live.

Savanna was really too tired and yawned as she walked back to the master bedroom.

After midnight, the Young's villa was covered in mist, and soon, it began to rain.

In the morning, Seth hurried upstairs and knocked

on the door of the master bedroom.

Savanna rubbed his sleepy eyes, his voice hoarse. "What's the matter?"

"Mrs. Cassel, Mrs. Young's ashes are gone."

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Lorena's ashes ... were gone?

Savanna was surprised.

Seth asked, "Mrs. Young, what should we do?"

Brandon turned his head, thinking that the man who was still asleep had sat up from the bed. He seemed to hear Seth's words, and his clear eyes turned cold.

Savanna's heart raced. She said to Seth, "Tell Jim to take people to go search for it. We must find it."

Seth glanced at Brandon on the bed and saw his messy hair. Brandon was silent. Seth quickly lowered his head and replied, "Yes." Seth then left.

Savanna carefully walked back to the bed. Her eyes were fixed on Brandon's face and watched for the

slightest change in his expression.

Brandon's face was very pale. He didn't look good. It could be seen that he was in a bad mood, especially when he heard that Lorena's ashes were gone.

Savanna said, "You just rest. I'll check it out."

Noticing that Brandon was still silent, Savanna left the room uneasily.

Savanna went downstairs.

Seth was interrogating Aspen.

Aspen knelt in front of Seth and kept apologizing, looking miserable.

When Aspen saw Savanna coming down the stairs, she knelt down and walked towards her. She reached out and hugged Savanna's leg, crying sorrowfully, "Mrs. Young, something happened at Aldo's house two days ago. He gave me the key to the ancestral temple. Last night, when Mr. Raymond brought Lorena's cinerary casket back, I opened the door for him. Mr. Raymond took the cinerary casket to the ancestral temple and placed it there. Then, we left the ancestral temple. I locked the door but lost the key. However, I remembered the key was hanging on my belt. When I woke up, the key was gone."

Aspen was crying out of breath.

Savanna did not move. She looked down at Aspen, who was crying desperately, and pondered over Aspen's words.

After pondering for a moment, Savanna asked, "Where did you sleep last night? Who did you talk to after leaving the ancestral temple? Did you drink anything before you fell asleep?"

Aspen stopped crying and recalled, "As usual, I went out of the ancestral temple and saw that there was no light in the living room. Knowing that everyone is sleeping, I went back to my room to rest."

Aspen thought for a moment and said, "I didn't talk to anyone before I went to bed. I was thirsty and drank a glass of warm water."

Aspen pointed at the water dispenser. "I got the water from there. There should be no problem."

Savanna looked at the water dispenser and immediately took a glass of water, handing it to Seth. "Take it for a test."

Seth walked out of the villa with the glass of water.

Aspen was still crying. Savanna was a little annoyed. She helped Aspen up. "If you didn't do it, I wouldn't blame you. No matter what, you lost the key to the ancestral temple. Aspen, you neglected your duty."

Aspen's tears kept flowing. She was extremely sorry. "Mrs. Young, I know I was wrong. You can punish me however you see fit. Don't chase me away."

Aspen's family was poor. She dropped out of high school. Her father was addicted to gambling, and her mother needed to take medicine every day. She had a younger brother and a younger sister. Aspen worked three jobs a day. Being a servant of the

Young family, Aspen spent the least time and got the highest salary out of the three jobs.

So, Aspen was reluctant to leave.

Savanna sighed, "Let's talk about it after we find the ashes. Don't cry anymore."

Savanna did not blame her, so Aspen did not dare to cry anymore and wiped the tears on her face. At this time, Jim and his men got surveillance videos of the funeral home.

Jim said to Savanna, "I checked it, and there is no problem. Both Fabian and Ethan had no chance to make a move on the ashes."

Savanna nodded and looked out the windows in a trance. "Take it and give it to him."

Of course, Jim knew who Savanna was talking about. Jim quickly went upstairs and handed the videos to Brandon.

Brandon watched the videos and narrowed his eyes. A dangerous look flashed through his eyes, and his expression became even colder. He tilted his head and lit a cigarette. In the midst of the smoke, Brandon saw that after Ethan left in the video, Savanna chased after him. When she returned, Savanna looked a bit happier. Savanna went out

to chase Ethan. Because the surveillance camera at the entrance of the funeral home was broken, it didn't record what Savanna said to Ethan. Brandon looked at Savanna's relieved face in the video, and his eyes gradually became cold.

Seth came back soon. The water in the water dispenser was clear.

After checking all the people, almost no one had any problems, making it difficult to find Lorena's bone ashes.

Seth went upstairs to bid farewell to Brandon. Aspen looked upstairs nervously. She said to Savanna in a trembling voice, "Mrs. Young, will Mr. Young blame me?"

Savanna glanced at Aspen and then looked upstairs. Savanna exhaled, and her heart beat fast. Not to mention Aspen was nervous, even Savanna felt uneasy.

"It's fine. Don't worry," Savanna replied.

Aspen was still apprehensive.

Aspen returned to her room, absent-minded.

Savanna went to the room next to Lorena's living room. She thought Renee was still sleeping. Unexpectedly, she had already gotten out of bed and had a head full of messy hair. Renee stood by the windowsill, looking at something. Hearing the footsteps, she immediately turned her face and unexpectedly met Savanna's probing gaze.

Renee's face was ashen, and she felt agitated. In short, she was in a bad mood. Savanna glanced at the messy sheets and pillowcase. Savanna poked her eyebrows.

"Had a nightmare last night?"

Renee raised her head and took a deep breath. She closed her eyes. A moment later, the panic in her eyes was gone.

Savanna replied softly and walked back to the bed, sitting on it. Savanna could sense Renee was anxious.

Savanna said, "Mrs. Young's ashes are gone. Early in the morning, Jim and Seth searched everywhere but found nothing. Brandon did not say anything. Mom, his silence does not mean that he is stupid. Where did you hide Mrs. Young's ashes?"

When Renee heard that, her expression changed drastically. Her face full of shock, she stuttered, "You said ... Mrs. Young's ashes are gone?"

Savanna did not answer her. Renee hurriedly asked, "How did they disappear? Did they disappear last night?"

Renee was incoherent and focused on Savanna's words. After she pondered over Savanna's words, her anxious voice was like the cold wind. "You mean I took Mrs. Young's ashes?"

Noticing Savanna still did not speak, Renee jumped up anxiously. "Savanna, what do you mean? I'm not a pervert. Why would I need the ashes of a dead person? I don't even know where you put her

ashes."

Perhaps Savanna had expected that Renee would not admit it. Savanna narrowed her eyes and smiled indifferently, "Last night, you kept pestering me to come over. I asked you to go back to my uncle's place, but you refused. You disappeared for so long, and Mia couldn't find you anywhere. Did you run away with Fabian? Tell me. Where did he take you? What did he say to you to make you do such a crazy thing?"

Renee bit her lips and raised her hand to hit Savanna. Savanna was prepared. She reached out and grabbed Renee's hand hard which was in the air. Renee frowned in pain.

Savanna said, "Your life is unfortunate, but haven't you thought about why it is this way? I don't think it is because someone has been controlling you. You loved the wrong person. If you had been able to control your heart back then, how could you end up like this?"

Renee was infuriated by Savanna's words.

The muscles on Renee's face trembled.

Renee gnashed her teeth. "Savanna, I am your mother. Are you crazy to say that to me?"

"You haven't raised me for a day. Moreover, even if I had lived with you, I would just be an illegitimate

child of the Colon family. Back then, you knew you couldn't compete with Ashley, yet you still gave birth to me. You were either crazy or stupid."

Renee's crazy behavior made Savanna extremely angry.

Savanna felt her crazy mother was being stupid and destroying Savanna's happiness.

Savanna shook off Renee's hand. "Hand over the bone ashes before Brandon finds you. Otherwise, I won't be able to protect you."