

My Dreamy Old Husband

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After Harry's program, the host was very excited and emotional as he announced, "Today, we have a very special guest among us! He joined the army at a young age and made great contributions to the establishment of Cethos as we know it today! Today, this hundred-year-old man would like to say a few words to us."

Then, the camera panned over in the direction of the auditorium, and the audience immediately noticed an old man with white hair but a youthful complexion, dressed in military uniform—it was Mark Fletcher! Following that, thunderous applause rang out across the venue. Nobody had expected that he would make an appearance today! The old man was already over a hundred years old, yet he was still in such good health and spirits!

Another host was standing beside Mark, and he respectfully handed the microphone over to Mark. Accepting the microphone from him, Mark stood up. Despite his age, his body was strong and healthy. He had been a brave general in his youth. Even though he was now older, he was still the same brave general as back then. He didn't like wasting time on words. So, he picked up the microphone and said to the audience, "Happy New Year's, everybody! I don't have much to say either. I wish everybody an auspicious year ahead. Also, please focus on the performances! You don't need to pay attention to an old man like me. I'm certain I'm not as interesting as the performances!"

Upon hearing those words, everybody roared with laughter. They were surprised that the old man was so humorous! After that, the host smiled respectfully as he asked, "Old Master, what brings you here today?"

Mark remembered his lines and he excitedly said, “I love listening to ‘Mulan Joins the Army’. When I heard that somebody will be performing ‘Mulan’ tonight, I had to come!”

Then, the host went on to say, “It looks like Old Master is excited to watch the opera! Next, let’s invite the renowned master of performing arts, Taylor Murray, to present us with the traditional opera ‘Mulan Joins the Army!’”

Upon hearing those words, everybody watching the gala was shocked to the core!

Stanley jumped to his feet in surprise. “Oh, my God! Uncle Michael is going to perform ‘Mulan!’”

Similarly, Sophia hurriedly closed her mouth that fell open from the shock. *No wonder Michael has been hiding in the training room over the past few days. I thought he was hiding to get out of making cured meat. It turns out he was preparing for the New Year Dinner Gala’s performance.*

At the New Year Dinner Gala, Old Master Fletcher took the lead in applauding and the venue was filled with thunderous applause and excited cheering. Soon, Taylor appeared onstage, fully dressed up as Mulan. Despite being dressed as a female, he wore heavy armor and was armed with spears. His appearance as a handsome female warrior stole the hearts of many. All they could see was a heroic female general. He was completely different from the bare-faced, washed-up man, who yawned as he made cured meat, in Eddie’s Twitter post a few days ago.

The choreography for his performance during the New Year Dinner Gala was perfectly done, exemplifying his magnificent beauty. As soon as he came on stage, he showcased a beautiful dance with his spears. His exquisite skills and perfect figure instantly drew a round of applause from the audience.

From time to time, the cameras that were focused on the stage would pan toward the audience. The cameras circled the venue, perfectly capturing the expressions of amazement among the audience. His figure, his voice, and his professional poses were no less than that of a professional opera master even though he was just an actor!

At that moment, everybody was suddenly reminded of the New Year Dinner Gala more than 30 years ago. A movie star had performed 'Mulan Joins the Army' too—it was Elizabeth Murray. Back then, she had charmed the entire nation when she was at the peak of her youth. Performing 'Mulan Joins the Army' had established her position within the opera world and boosted her reputation greatly!

Identical appearances and the same lyrics—the two performances that were separated by 30 years infinitely overlapped in the hearts of the fans! The older fans couldn't help crying at the sight. *Like mother, like son! Elizabeth's son truly lives up to his reputation!*

Originally, Taylor Murray had been just a movie actor in everybody's eyes. But now, he became famous due to his flawless performance of 'Mulan Joins the Army'.

Meanwhile, Sophia was so stunned by the performance that she even forgot to applaud. The only thoughts in her heart were: *Oh, my God! My husband is so handsome! Oh, my God! My husband is so amazing! Oh, my God! I want to have his children!*

The applause and cheers roared throughout the venue, and the atmosphere was lively—so much so that it woke the people who were dozing off. At the same time, online platforms were providing simultaneous live broadcasts and real-time comments from viewers flew across the screen like bullets.

After the song, Taylor took a bow, and the host called him over to interact with the audience. Then, Sophia immediately used her phone to check the online comments. News of Michael appearing at the New Year Dinner Gala had become a trending topic on Twitter. As the program itinerary of the New Year Dinner Gala

had always been a secret, the fans were finally reacting to it. Therefore, the online comments were very favorable.

‘Oh, my God! A washed-up actor appeared at the New Year Dinner Gala! He’s going to become popular!’

‘His career is going to be revived again! Pay close attention!’

‘I guess making cured meat isn’t enough to make a living. Appearing at the New Year Dinner Gala is the king’s way!’

At the same time, there were vicious comments too.

‘Oh, my! How timely; he’s just riding the coattails of Mark Fletcher! I guess if he can cling to Mark, his future will be smooth-sailing!’

‘You’re overthinking it. How could Mark Fletcher be interested in a lowly actor like him? He’s not worthy! It won’t be easy for him to cling to Mark.’

*Motherf*ckers! Who the hell is this son of a b*tch?! Sophia was livid. How dare this damn chicken cause drama?! No matter how I look at it, the cynical tone is sickening!*

She was about to reply to the comment when a burst of applause rang out from the TV. Taylor and the host were interacting onstage. Taylor was about to pick the lucky draw winner from among the audience. Before he could start to draw the lots, an enthusiastic fan barged onstage and rushed toward him. It stood to reason that fans forcing their way onto the stage during the New Year Dinner Gala was a huge incident. Besides, normal fans couldn’t push through the multiple layers of security guards that surrounded the stage and disrupt the performance on the stage. However, this fan was a little special—he was rather influential. So, the security guards did not dare to stop him. After all, who would dare to stop the founding general, Mark Fletcher?

Mark was holding a bouquet of flowers as he suddenly rushed over. His appearance left the host feeling flustered—this was not in the script!

The enthusiastic fan was extraordinarily excited. He practically flew toward Taylor. Nobody could stop him as he made a beeline toward Taylor Murray, who was still dressed as Mulan. Then, he hugged Taylor tightly. He was so emotional that tears streamed from his eyes; his behavior was akin to a crazy fan who had finally met an idol they admired for so many years... However, Sophia knew—it was because Mark had not seen his grandson in many years that he was so emotional! Although Michael's expression was concealed under a thick layer of greasepaint, she was certain that he was just as emotional to see Mark.

Originally, the old man had no plans to attend the New Year Dinner Gala this year. However, Michael had attended last year, and Old Master Fletcher assumed that Michael would attend this year as well. Moreover, he was already a centenarian. Due to that, the New Year Dinner Gala had invited him to attend in conjunction with such an important age. When Michael learned about it, he immediately agreed to attend the gala and prepared the old man's favorite opera. The grandfather and grandson had been separated for so many years. They had not expected to meet under such circumstances.

Mark was as lively as a cheeky little boy. After handing the flowers over to Michael, he said earnestly, "Lad, I heard that you're past your prime now! Don't worry; just focus on your acting. Your fame will return to you, sooner or later."