

## Chapter 233 This Is My Ex-Husband!

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Rena found herself stunned by Waylen's words.

He continued in a hoarse voice, "I'm not saying this to gain your sympathy. I just want to tell you that if you decide to get involved and be Alexis' mother, you might have no personal life like me. Do you still want to be her mother?"

His words struck a chord within Rena.

How could she ever abandon her daughter?

She looked at Waylen, her heart racing, uncertain of what to say.

Waylen reached out and gently caressed her face.

He knew that she was going through a difficult time, but he needed to be honest with her. He feared that she would blame him for Alexis' current conditions.

If only he hadn't gone to Braseovell that fateful day, Rena probably wouldn't have been affected so badly by the explosion, and Alexis wouldn't have been so weak after her premature birth.

Rena remained silent, neither pushing him away nor uttering a word. As parents of such a special child, they needed to support each other through this journey.

After a long pause, Waylen withdrew his hand and said gently, "Go upstairs. I have a meeting later. You can pick up Alexis this afternoon, and I'll pick her up in the evening."

Rena nodded, her mind overwhelmed.

She almost ran away, not knowing what she was trying to escape from.

Was she avoiding Waylen's tenderness or the painful memories of the past?

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Rena's mind wandered as she absentmindedly cut the fruit.

She nearly nicked her finger, making her involuntarily flinch.

Leaning against the sickbed, Eloise smiled softly and muttered, "Put it down. You might end up cutting yourself."

Rena lowered her hand and called out softly, "Mom."

Eloise beckoned her closer, taking her hand gently. She then said in a tender voice, "I didn't know about Alexis' existence until this year. Waylen took her to Czanch, and it shocked everyone. Your grandmother cried for a long time, and Waylen knelt before all night."

Hearing this, Rena leaned closer to Eloise in attempt to seek some comfort.

Eloise affectionately touched her head and continued saying in a hushed tone, "Your uncle wanted you to have more choices, not to stay with Waylen solely for the sake of the child. That's why he didn't refuse Jenna's request for you to go on a blind date with her son. I also want you to follow your heart, but don't rush into making a decision. You and Waylen have broken up and gotten back together several times."

Rena nodded and replied, "I'll think it over."

All she wanted now was to take good care of Alexis and raise her.

Eloise smiled and suggested, "Bring Alexis here tomorrow. I haven't seen her in a long time, and I miss her dearly. She looks

just like you did as a child but has Waylen's personality."

The thought of Alexis brought a gentle smile to Rena's face.

She spent most of the day with Eloise and didn't pick Alexis up until half-past three in the afternoon.

Right outside the kindergarten, Rena waited patiently.

Alexis raised her head proudly upon seeing her mother.

Rena took her daughter's schoolbag, squatting down to wipe the sweat off her forehead. With a warm smile, she said, "I'll be working at the restaurant later. Would you like to join me for some French food?"

Alexis blinked her big eyes and responded sweetly, "Mom, don't you have money? Dad has a lot of money!"

Rena kissed Alexis' face and reassured her, "I am actually the owner of that restaurant. And I'll occasionally play the piano there!"

Alexis' face suddenly lit up with happiness.

She wanted her mother to embrace her and wrap her arms around her neck.

She loved her mother's scent.

When Rena arrived with Alexis at the French restaurant, she requested a seat near the piano.

She then ordered a delicious French cuisine for Alexis, cutting the steak into bite-sized pieces.

Alexis ate gracefully with a small fork, exuding elegance.

As Rena observed her, she couldn't help but marvel at how Waylen's strong genes had manifested in Alexis.

She ensured Alexis was well taken care of and then went to play

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He caressed her curly brown hair, and Alexis didn't object.

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Bruce knew he had no hope of being with Rena, but for some reason, he followed her outside.

And so, the two men found themselves face to face.

Rena felt helpless.

She forced a smile and decided to introduce the man. "This is Bruce, my uncle's colleague's son."

At that moment, Waylen had no intention of being courteous.

He snorted and expressed his displeasure, "Isn't he the one you went on a blind date with? Well then, tell him who I am!"

Rena got irritated by his childishness.

She then smirked and said, "This is my ex-husband!"

Waylen, with a nonchalant expression, nodded and said, "Yes, we're divorced."

He helped Alexis into the car, turned around, and said gently, "I'll take her home first. You can pick her up tomorrow morning. By the way, I washed the clothes you stained and left them in the guest bedroom."