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“Is love really that magical? The newlywed husband even allowed his wife to meet her ex-boyfriend””

“Let me just put it out there if Ms. Lawrence can’t forget her ex-boyfriend, then don’t waste my man’s time. Pass him to me, I’ll cherish him for life”

“What are these people in the comments doing? Don’t they know her ex-boyfriend was seriously ill? They mentioned before that they broke up peacefully, they were lovers for over a decade, her ex-boyfriend is on his deathbed, they have no grudges, why can’t she go see him?”

The blogger also wrote in the comments: “She went back with her new husband. Her new husband even actively participated in the medical plan, he doesn’t have the same bitter and twisted mindset as those on the internet.”

The topic “Should you visit your ex-boyfriend if he’s about to die has sparked heated debate.

Most people think that if their ex was about to die, they’d go and say their goodbyes.

Some people say it depends on the reason for the breakup. If it was an amicable split, then it’s okay to go see them if they’re dying.

The debate is still going, and on a short video platform, a travel blogger with not many followers posted a video of bumping into Erica and her husband in the Amazon rainforest.

In the video, the blogger detailed the process of running into Erica and her husband at a restaurant

“So Ms. Lawrence found out about that gentleman being hospitalized because we were just chatting then. I feel so bad.”

“We saw a lot of people online criticizing Ms. Lawrence for being unfaithful, but that’s not the case. We were sitting really close, and Ms. Lawrence didn’t say she wanted to go back after finding out. It was her husband who suggested they go back to see her ex. Then they immediately bought the earliest flight.”

“I want to emphasize that Ms. Lawrence’s husband, aside from being handsome, also exudes endless charm. Just one look at him gives you a sense of calm. It’s amazing!”

“All in all, we dined at the same restaurant with the couple, Ms. Lawrence and her husband got along really well, they were very sweet together. I remember they kissed a lot!”

At the end of the video, the blogger showed off a cake that Larkin gave them and said, “We thought about it later, initially we thought her husband paid the bill and bought the cake to keep us from spilling their info, but on second thought, we’d rather think of it as a thank you! Because of us, Ms. Lawrence found out about that gentleman’s critical condition. He was thanking us.”

After the video was published, someone in the comments asked. “Why should they thank you? It’s because you were gossiping that their honeymoon was ruined, and he even had to graciously send his own wife to see her ex-boyfriend. It’s heartbreaking”

Blogger replied: “We think he didn’t want his wife to have any regrets. Not everyone views love so narrowly.”

There’s also a comment from a well-known blogger.

“Ms. Lawrence’s partner is someone I know. I agree with the blogger, Larkin is someone with superior understanding. If he chose Ms. Lawrence, he would definitely accept all of Ms. Lawrence’s past, and he wouldn’t restrict her with a narrow-minded attitude.”

With the appearance of this influential person,

The identity of Erica’s husband sparked another round of discussion.

Everyone was seeking answers in his comments.

But, he didn't reply after that.

This video was quickly shared on Twitter.

"If what that blogger said is true, my feelings are a bit complicated, but... I wish them happiness!"

"It sounds confusing, but if it's true like the blogger said, and considering the influential person's viewpoint, I suddenly understand why Erica could give up a relationship of over a decade and choose him in the end. In a relationship, having a partner who is emotionally stable and can accept all your feelings is really important."

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Everyone knows that in the wild world of the internet, anything can spark a debate.

The question of whether Erica should visit Jacob, who was seriously ill in the hospital, had been a trending topic for two days.

Larkin usually didn't give a damn about this kind of gossip, but he was informed about it anyway.

Erica, on the other hand, cared about the various opinions on the internet.

When she went to see Jacob, she simply didn't want him to get hurt because of her

She never expected that there would be so many different views from netizens.

Moreover, many people thought there was unfinished business between her and Jacob, which bothered Larkin.

Late at night

After taking a shower, Erica sat on the bed, reading some articles seriously.

Larkin brought over a hair dryer, intending to help her dry her hair

Enca hugged his wrist, and had him sit across from her, looking at him face-to-face,

"What's up?" Larkin asked.

He subconsciously touched his cheek, "is there something on my face?"

“Larkin, a lot of people online feel bad for you, because I came back to see Jacob...

“Isn’t that my decision?” Larkin said gently, “I told you not to look at the comments online. Everyone has their own opinions, and everyone sees things from a different perspective”

“Don’t you feel wronged?” Erica touched Larkin’s cheek, “You know I’m slow to react emotionally, and I’m not very good at understanding others’ feelings. If you feel uncomfortable, wronged, or unhappy, you have to tell me. Only then can I know what you don’t like and avoid making the same mistake in the future”

Larkin looked at her.

He seemed to think of something, then nodded, “I do have some complaints.”

Erica immediately sat up straight, “Tell me! As long as the reason is valid, I will correct it!”

Larkin moved a little closer, then leaned into her ear

Erica wondered why he had to whisper his complaint when there were only two of them in the room.

The next second, Erica understood why.

Larkin’s voice chuckled in her ear, “Erica, you always say you’re tired when I fuck you, which bothers me

Erica was taken aback.

Then her cheeks instantly flushed, and she hit Larkin, “You... you were a monk before, you shouldn’t talk dirty!”

“I don’t care, starting tomorrow, you’re going to work out with me! We need to stay fit” Larkin said.

He stood up, took off Erica’s hair drying cap, and happily began to blow dry her hair,

Erica had a lot of hair

Back when she dried her hair, her arms would hurt from holding up the blow dryer. So she stopped washing her hair at home. But now that she had Larkin, she was willing to wash her hair at home again.

Erica glanced again at the comments accusing her on her phone.

Jacob had improved slightly in the past couple of days.

But his overall condition still wasn't good.

Most of the time, he was asleep.

On the evening of the third day, Lenora made a bowl of soup for Jacob at home and brought it to the hospital room.

As soon as she arrived at the room, she saw Jacob's assistant and several other company employees gathered around Jacob's bed.

"What are you guys doing here?" Lenora asked with a frown, "Jacob hasn't recovered yet, he can't work!"

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"I called them here." Jacob's voice was raspy and he didn't look at Lenora. "You should go out first."

"Jacob..."

Lenora didn't get to finish her sentence.

Seeing Jacob's cold demeanor, she sadly put down the soup in her hands and left the ward.

Things had been like this these past few days.

When Jacob woke up, he mostly ignored her

If this had been before, Lenora would have definitely lost her cool.

But now... she was starting to feel guilty.

"Is Erica still being crucified by the public?" Jacob asked after finishing some work, head lowered.

His assistant had been working by his side for a long time now.

He was somewhat aware of the drama between Jacob and Erica Shields.

Despite Erica's not-so-great reputation in the public eye, the assistant had a pretty good impression of her.

Last year, Erica and his boss seemed to be on very good terms.

On trips with Jacob, the assistant had even seen him picking out diamonds, like he was selecting an engagement ring

He had thought that the two might be getting married this year.

But to his surprise, Erica was indeed getting married, but to another man.

“It’s better now, other trending topics have come up, she’s not getting as much attention. The assistant replied.

Jacob stared at the small table in front of him, lost in thought for a moment, then said, “Do me a favor”

Late at night.

The official account of a company owned by Jacob suddenly posted a statement.

Unlike most statements these days, this one was a handwritten letter.

“Hey everyone, it’s Jacob. About my past with Ms. Lawrence, I have a few things to say. I met Ms. Lawrence when we were young, we both loved each other passionately. We broke up because of my lack of trust, my lack of appreciation, and my disregard for the pressure and grievances she’s been enduring all these years. Now, she’s found her true love, and even though it pains me, I sincerely wish her and Mr. Carter the best. I’m seriously ill, and I’m very grateful to Mr. Carter for putting aside our differences, sacrificing his honeymoon to come back with a medical team to visit me. Lastly, Ms. Lawrence has always been very kind, she values life, not just human life, but even the life of a cat or dog. I hope everyone doesn’t overinterpret her coming to see me.”

The handwriting of the letter was a bit shaky.

It’s clear that the person writing the letter wasn’t in a good state.

Once the letter was posted, the discussion immediately heated up.

“Looks like this jerk really still loves Ms. Lawrence!”

“My god, the words in this letter reveal Mr. Strand’s heartbreak, what’s going on?”

“Look at you, you didn’t cherish her, she was with you for sixteen years, if you cherished her a bit more, you wouldn’t have lost such a beautiful wife!!

“Jacob, I think Ms. Lawrence still loves you, I support you in winning her back!!”

“Mr. Carter is too good, right? He even brought a medical team back to save his wife’s ex-boyfriend??”

“Looking at the comments, some people’s mindsets are really twisted, Mr. Carter is actually a good man, they were living a good life as a couple, why are there still people encouraging Jacob to steal Mr. Carter’s wife? People on the internet are too much”

At this moment, a comment that was almost overlooked caught the attention of some netizens

“Could you stop being so fake? Where was your so-called deep affection when you allowed her friends and that woman to bully her, where was your deep affection when you allowed your harsh mother to bully her?”

Under this comment, a crowd of onlookers quickly gathered.

“Speak the truth if you have it!!”

“You must be someone who knows the inside story! Did that man’s mother ever bully Ms. Lawrence?”

The account replied, “His mother hit her twice. Hasn’t the recent scandal about Ms. Lawrence been proven false? Mr. Strand was so devastated by the loss of Ms. Lawrence that he vomited blood and was admitted to the ICU, his shameless mother even asked Ms. Lawrence to divorce her current husband and reconcile with her son!”

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“Really? Is Jacob’s mom that nuts?”

The other person replied, “Yeah, but Ms. Lawrence and her husband are super tight. She flat out rejected her, her husband strongly criticized Jacob’s mother” Beneath this reply, a slew of comments started piling up.

“Someone said before that Ms. Lawrence was head over heels for Mr. Strand. Well, now look, she turned him down flat. You can see how solid Ms. Lawrence and her husband are.”

“I nearly had a heart attack just now. Thankfully, that jerk and his wicked mom didn’t get their way. Ms. Lawrence didn’t marry him, which in my eyes was a close call.”

“Any more gossip? Please share.”

The other person didn’t reply to anyone after that.

But that comment, after being spread overnight,

The next morning, the topic “#Jacob’sMom#” became a trending topic.

It seemed like quite a few people in the hospital recognized Jacob.

Even from far away, people were pointing and whispering.

But Jacob didn’t seem to care.

He sat in his wheelchair, basking in the toasty sun.

His heart would still, uncontrollably, hurt from time to time.

It seemed like he had gotten used to it.

After about twenty minutes in the sun, the nurse pushed him back to his room.

Jacob was in the VIP ward, his own room had a direct elevator

The moment he got out of the elevator, he heard his mom's angry voice, "Get the lawyer on the line now! I'm going to sue these reckless media outlets and find the person who started this. I want to kill him!"

"What are you arguing about?" Jacob spoke up.

Seeing him return, Lenora quickly walked up to him, "Jacob, why did you go outside? I was just about to call you. You look much better today. Why don't you give me your phone, don't read those messages online, and get some more rest?"

Jacob looked up at her.

Seeing his gaze, Lenora felt a shiver down her spine.

She had never seen her son look at her like this.

"I don't need to read anything, I'm the one who leaked it." Jacob's voice was hoarse, and his words were devoid of warmth.

Those handwritten letters were just a smokescreen.

Jacob's real purpose was that comment.

"What?" Lenora was stunned, looking at Jacob in surprise. "You're the one who leaked it?"

"Yes." Jacob finished speaking and then laughed, "Mom, we did something wrong, yet Erica is the one getting criticized online?"

"What did we do wrong? Erica was unfaithful to you. If she was really in love with you, she wouldn't marry someone else just because I slapped her twice. I bet she and Larkin Carter have been fooling around for a while!" Lenora said with absolute resentment.

She never thought that her reputation would be ruined by her own son!

"You're hopeless." Jacob lowered his eyelids and pushed his wheelchair towards his room,

Seeing his cold demeanor, Lenora felt even more wronged. She followed him into the room and said, "Are you so keen on protecting Erica from blame that you'd even disregard your own mother?"

"Have you seen how people are criticizing you online?" Jacob returned to his bed, still not looking at Lenora.

Of course, Lenora had seen it

"Everything I did was for you. I didn't know the rumors about Erica were made up!" Lenora was still making excuses for herself.

Jacob let out a cold laugh, looked up at Lenora, and said, "If you were really doing this for my sake, why would I end up like this?"

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Lenora kept quiet, unsure how to respond to Jacob.

"I suggest you quit messing around, or I'll expose even more stuff online," Jacob said, shutting his eyes.

Lenora's heart ached.

"Do you really hate me that much?" she choked out.

Jacob didn't answer, acting like he hadn't heard her

Graham Strand lingered at the doorway for a moment before striding in, grabbing Lenora's hand and leaving the hospital room

Once the door was shut, Lenora crumpled to the floor, sobbing her heart out

Everything she had been through in her life was nothing compared to these past few days.

"Erica ditched him, yet he's still playing the dark knight for her, completely disregarding his own mother's wellbeing! And the netizens are being so nasty!" Lenora cried out in pain.

Graham stood in front of her, "Lenora, Jacob and I have always treated you well, right?"

Lenora didn't say anything

Lenora looked up at Graham in disbelief, "Are you saying you want to divorce me?"

“Look at yourself, you’re a hot mess! Even lunatics look more put together than your Graham seemed to have reached his breaking point, “Although the netizens” words were harsh, they were right.”

What Graham couldn’t accept was that Erica was chased away by Lenora, but ironically, Lenora was the one forcing Erica to divorce and remarry Jacob.

In her world, everyone seemed to be mere puppets, dancing to the tunes of her emotions.

Graham always knew that Lenora was a handful.

For years, he had been tolerating her, helping her deal with her problems, as long as she was happy.

But now, he realized that he might have been wrong all along

She had gotten used to finding joy at the expense of others’ misery, and now things were spiraling out of control.

In the end, he too had to face the consequence alongside her.

Next month, at the shareholders’ meeting of the Strand family company, he might not be able to keep his CEO title, unless a miracle happened.

But Lenora seemed oblivious to all these, to her husband’s plight and agony

She spent her days venting her anger over Erica

Jacob was such a good, dutiful son, yet he was forced to expose his mother’s misdeeds online...

Just thinking about it made Graham’s heart break.

“People are spreading lies about me, things I’ve never done!” Lenora, seldom seeing her husband this furious, started to get scared and whimpered, “You’re not protecting me!”

“When you were bullying Erica, our son didn’t protect her either!!” Graham’s hand shook. “Even when Jacob was critically ill, Erica came to visit him, bearing no grudges. She’s done us a huge favor!”

Of course, Lenora wouldn’t understand Erica’s pain just from these few words.

But Graham’s mention of divorce did give Lenora a jolt.

She had a lot of money, but she also needed the love and pampering from her husband and son.

If she got divorced at such a sensitive time, she would become the laughingstock of high society!

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Lenora nodded with tears in her eyes, "I... I won't make a fuss anymore, honey... Will Jacob... Will Jacob forgive me?"

Graham looked at her pitiful face, couldn't help stepping forward, pulling her up and hugging her, patting her back gently. "Take it slow... Jacob is a good kid, he will... he will forgive you."

Truth be told, he wasn't sure himself.

Jacob had changed a lot since he woke up.

He no longer wanted to talk to his father or mother.

It seemed like his warm-hearted son was really gone after his severe illness.

And now he was someone else

In the end, tweets related to Lenora were not manually controlled.

Insults toward Jacob and Lenora were all over Twitter.

On the contrary, people were more understanding and forgiving toward Erica.

People used to say she wanted to date two guys at the same time, but now people were changing their tune, saying that Erica visiting Jacob showed she was a person of deep feelings.

Of course, in this wave of praise, Larkin was the one getting the most compliments.

"I saw someone say yesterday that Mr. Carter was a stable lover, he really got me! I want a partner like that!"

"I just inquired a bit, Mr. Carter comes from a medical family with hundreds of years of history, full of amazing doctors, no wonder Jacob woke up so fast, we should really thank Mr. Carter!"

"Didn't someone say before that true love is a miracle? Can we now say that medicine is the real miracle?!"

At this moment, the person who revealed the "miracle of true love" yesterday stood out to rebut.

“Indeed, Mr. Carter brought some top-notch doctors, but as we all know, Jacob’s mother insisted that they had bad intentions and didn’t even let them near her son. When I said it’s a miracle of true love, I meant it, even if it’s only Jacob’s one-sided true love!”

Who Mr. Carter brought doesn’t matter, Mr. Carter himself is super amazing, he’s a medical genius, Jacob’s mother really doesn’t know a good thing when she sees

“Okay, I’m getting angry again! That old woman is too much!”

“He dirtied Mr. Carter’s hands by treating that jerk!”

“That ungrateful old hag!”

“Stop bashing Jacob, he admitted that Mr. Carter brought a medical team, who are we to question? I think the guy is still grateful, let’s focus on bashing his mother!”

“Just now I received two photos, someone took a picture of Jacob at the hospital during the day!! Guys, no wonder Ms. Lawrence was with him for sixteen years, because that jerk, though a jerk, is really handsome!”

With that, they even posted the photos.

On the hospital lawn, the sun was shining brightly

A man in a loose hospital gown sat in a black wheelchair, his slender hand resting on the armrest, head tilted back, showing off his long, good-looking neck, and there was his perfect profile.

The comments under the post were flying in.

“This jerk is indeed too handsome.”

“Damn, why are handsome people so disappointing? Wayne Silverman was like that, and so is this guy!”

“I saw someone saying in public before, Jacob was all set to marry Ms. Lawrence, it was so close, what a pity!”

“If it were me, I’d be attracted too, his physique and looks are amazing!”

“Don’t make it seem like Ms. Lawrence doesn’t deserve this guy, Ms. Lawrence is a world-class beauty, okay? These disappointing men aren’t good enough for her!”

“Since everyone is praising this disappointing man, let me share a photo I saw on Ms. Lawrence’s Instagram!”

It was a simple side profile of Erica, her figure was hot, and the comment section was full of praise

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Well, the development of the whole thing was unexpected.

Just like Paige here.

She's been having a pain in the back lately, resting on two specially designed pillows, and indulging in some tasty food.

"Who was it defending us publicly at Jacob's company last night, huh? Was it you?" Paige asked as she turned to Rosalynn. Rosalynn waved it off, "If I wanted to voice my opinion, I would've done it through my own account"

After all, Jacob has saved Cory and Ivy before, so she couldn't do something like that

"Was it a friend of yours?" Paige turned to Erica

Erica sighed, "I didn't have friends like that before

Paige looked genuinely sympathetic and quickly reached out to comfort her

Erica put down her phone, and willingly snuggled into Paige's embrace, "It's alright, you have me from now on!"

"You two are really close Rosalynn said with a smile.

Erica was grinning from ear to ear

Then, Paige asked out of the blue, "Wasn't Larkin or Orval Carter, was it?"

"Larkin? Definitely not. As for Orval..."

"Not Orval, he was gaming with Jaime Jules at the time." Rosalynn shook her head, feeling a bit of a headache coming on, "They played all night."

"Then who the heck was it?" Paige was totally engrossed in the mystery and couldn't let it go.

Rosalynn fed her a blueberry.

"I think it was Jacob." Then she voiced a shocking theory.

Paige and Erica were both taken aback, especially Erica, she was near disbelief.

"I'd rather believe it was Larkin. Jacob loves his mom so much, why would he start an online attack on Lenora? Lenora got really roasted!" Erica said, her confidence beginning to waver

Could Jacob have changed drastically after he woke up?

“If it wasn’t Jacob, he would’ve taken legal action after seeing Lenora get bashed like that.” Rosalynn hit the nail on the head.

Erica was munching on some snacks, hearing this, she slowly stopped

She coughed lightly, “No one forced him to...”

“Maybe he wanted to make up for his mistakes.” Paige nodded determinedly, “It has to be him. I trust Rosalynn’s analysis.”

Rosalynn laughed, checking the time.

“It’s time, let’s get moving!”

“Just five more minutes!” Paige said, hastily going through online comments.

Netizens these days express their opinions more vigorously than in her time, and not a single swear word in sight.

“Wow! Paige suddenly screamed.

“What’s wrong? Are you okay?” Rosalynn immediately stood up, ready to dial the hospital.

Paige waved her off, “Quick, look at this. Someone found out Larkin used to be a monk! The post was only up for a few minutes and there are already over a thousand comments!!”

The fact that Larkin used to be a monk was discovered on an anonymous forum.

The person even posted a picture of Larkin as a monk.

This sure sparked a heated discussion.

“No wonder there were rumors, never thought Larkin was really a monk!”

“I thought he was only a monk for a while when I read the title, but I didn’t expect that he has been a monk for a long time!”

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Larkin used to be a monk, and once this tidbit hit the web, it stirred up quite a discussion.

Imagine, a non-celebrity, a non-public figure, suddenly topping the trending charts.

Larkin had always been an under-the-radar kind of guy before he tied the knot with Erica.

But now, thanks to Erica, he was suddenly the center of everyone's attention.

Erica was not exactly thrilled to see all the chatter about Larkin's past on the trending lists, regardless of the nature of the comments.

Rosalynn quickly picked up on Erica's mood and gently reassured her, "I think people are just curious about your husband, nothing malicious. Don't worry too much about it."

Erica glanced at Rosalynn, pursed her lips. "I'm worried that all this attention might not sit well with Larkin, you know how he likes to keep things low-key" *Instead of worrying here by yourself, why not go ask him directly?" Paige suggested, putting down her food and speaking in a soothing tone.

"I'll leave you two to chat then, I'm going to find him."

With that, Erica bolted up and dashed off.

Larkin wasn't just a whiz at medicine, he also had a soft spot for plants.

For some reason, the roses Calvin planted this year had been infested with pests.

He'd tried everything-books, videos, multiple methods, but nothing worked.

When he heard Larkin knew a thing or two about this, he made a beeline for him.

The weather was heating up.

When Erica found Larkin, he was wearing a wide-brimmed hat, ready to head back.

He was surprised to see Erica and jogged over, "What are you doing out here in this heat?"

After saying this, Larkin took off his hat and put it on Erica.

His cheeks were flushed from the sun.

"Larkin, the whole monk thing got out somehow and now you're topping the trending charts..." Erica looked like a kid caught doing something bad. "I even saw people digging up stuff about your family, I reported those posts immediately, but I'm not sure if it'll work..."

Larkin shielded his eyes from the sun with his hand.

He looked puzzled, “Are you upset about me being a former monk?”

“Of course not!” Erica shook her head vigorously.

“And do you think there’s something wrong with the Carter family?”

“No!” Erica was even more frantic now.

Larkin started to laugh, “Then why are you scared of people digging up our family’s into?”

Erica was stumped.

“1…” she was speechless, “it’s just…you guys are always so low-key…”

She trailed off, looking at Larkin with a blank expression.

Larkin just laughed even harder, his shoulders shaking.

“Even if we’re plastered all over the internet and become a trending topic, it won’t change the fact that me and the Carter family are low-profile. If people want to chat about it, then let’s just say I’ve added a bit of spice to their lives. It’s no biggie. Soon enough, they’ll move on to the next big thing and no one will remember who Larkin is.” After saying this, Larkin gently pinched Erica’s nose.

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Erica, with teary eyes, looked at Larkin and complained, “It’s way too hot. I could use a cold drink!”

Larkin gave her a soft smile and replied, “You can’t have that, love.”

Erica hadn’t always taken good care of herself and her health was in a pretty bad shape. Larkin was helping her to get better. She loved icy stuff and all sorts of snacks, which totally messed up her stomach. When it acted up, the pain was unbearable.

After they got hitched, the only things Larkin ever restrained her were cold food and late nights.

“Hmph!” Erica was already expecting a ‘no’ from Larkin.

She held onto Larkin’s fingers, making a noise of annoyance, “Let’s go home, the sun is killing me!”

As she turned around, her face lit up with happiness.

Meanwhile, the chatter about Larkin was still going strong.

“Does anyone know why Larkin, at 23, suddenly decided to abandon his identity as a monk? I’m dying of curiosity, spill the beans!”

“Maybe he broke some church rule and got kicked out.”

“Stop spreading nonsense! I’ve seen you badmouth Mr. Carter everywhere. What’s your beef with him?”

Looks like another internet war is brewing.

Then, a well-known gossip account dropped a bombshell, “Just got the juice from a reliable source. Ms. Lawrence’s father actually wanted her to marry Mr. Carter’s nephew a couple of years ago! Fast forward to now, Ms. Lawrence ended up marrying Larkin, making her previous potential husband her nephew-in-law.”

The news sparked an instant buzz.

“I thought this was a pure love story. Turns out, it’s a forbidden romance!”

“OMG, news these days is just too crazy!”

The account then posted a screenshot of his conversation with the unnamed source, but hid their profile picture.

The source said in the chat, “Larkin fell in love to Erica the moment he saw her at his house for the meeting with his nephew. As far as I know, he was the one who sabotaged the engagement. The next year, Larkin abandoned his identity as a monk. No one knows how he and Erica got together, but they did and got married” Although the words in the chat were simple, they were all pretty provocative, stirring the pot and igniting a new round of discussion.

“So, while Erica was with Jacob, she already had Larkin as her alternative option? Then she has no right to blame Jacob, they were both playing each other, weren’t they?”

“If this news is true, it’s mind-blowing! A monk falling for his nephew’s fiancée and snatched her?”

“Hold up! I’m confused. How did she become his nephew’s fiancée? Wasn’t Erica dating Jacob at that time? Was she playing both sides?”

“There are two that we know of. God knows how many more there could be! Maybe her sister wasn’t wrong after all, just didn’t have solid proof. That’s why she framed Erica!”

The internet was abuzz with speculation, and the malicious conjectures about Erica and Larkin kept piling up, almost getting out of hand.

There were even loads of posts with the hashtag “FeelingUnfairForJacob”.

The next morning, Erica posted a statement to clear the air.

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“First off, I didn’t get engaged to Mr. Orval. It was our parents who were keen on the idea, but we both shot it down.

Secondly, I met Mr. Larkin once, like over a decade ago. But we haven’t seen each other or kept in touch since then. We ran into each other again a few months ago during a cruise trip.

Lastly, I’ve got all the evidence ready. For those who spread rumors about me online yesterday, I’ve already taken legal action”

These three points should clear up all the online disputes.

Someone said, “All talk and no action, who would believe you?”

Erica replied, “So, you just believe any chat logs you read, but when I, the person involved, clarify things, you don’t buy it? You’re really something!”

People under this reply were cracking up.

Somebody said, “I always thought Ms. Lawrence was a delicate lady, never knew she had such a personality!”

Another praised, “Ms. Lawrence’s reply was direct and forceful, revealing the truth about the online rumors!”

A fan gushed, “Ms. Lawrence is so cool!”

A troll commented, “You’re really not pretty. I don’t understand why Jacob would date you for over a decade, only for you to end up marrying a monk. It’s beyond words.”

Erica replied, “Do you think you’re good-looking?”

People under this post were laughing their heads off again.

Another replied to Erica, “Ouch, you’re getting anxious! Your reaction tells me you’re really getting anxious!”

Erica replied, “Yes, I’m anxiously pacing around at home, collapsing on the floor in agony!”

Soon, the hashtag #MsLawrenceRepliesToFans trended amid the laughter.

It was at this moment.

The highly followed Rosalynn and Paige posted Erica’s clarification statement.

Rosalynn commented, "Spreading rumors is disgraceful"

Paige chimed in, "No to rumors!"

Later, Paige posted a new set of 18 photos.

Her usual warm and healing style.

Among them were photos of Erica and Larkin.

Someone commented, "Wow, Ms. Lawrence and Mr. Carter look so sweet together!"

Paige replied to this comment, "I'm not lying, they are genuinely sweet!"

Someone eagerly asked, "Paige, can you tell us why Mr. Carter chose to resume secular life? Was it really because of Erica?"

It took Paige a while to reply, "What else could it be? Of course, it's for love. He waited pathetically for over a decade and ended up being the subject of rumors. Poor guy!"

Paige had Erica's permission to post this comment.

In fact, there were people who were leaking info online.

Larkin had probably mentioned how he and Erica met and their history at their wedding.

He never hid it, and many people knew the truth.

But when it came from Paige, it seemed even more credible.

After this, the discussion about Larkin and Erica took a dramatic turn!

Some sighed, "Larkin resuming secular life for love, that's so romantic!"

Others said, "If things didn't go down the way the rumors said, their love story is really something out of a fairy tale!"

Someone commented, "He just waited like that? He's too peaceful and naive. If it were me, I'd do whatever it takes to win her over!"

"I recall someone saying that Mr. Carter is a very emotionally stable person. Now it seems he's so stable, it's almost too much!" "Some say that Larkin wouldn't use love to tie down his partner. Seems like it's true"

"Ms. Lawrence's marriage really proves the saying, 'when you hit rock bottom, the only way is up' No one stays down forever. Perhaps all the pain and hurt she went through was just waiting for his arrival?"

“However, he had been waiting for over a decade. If she had met him earlier, she wouldn’t have had to suffer so much and could have enjoyed more love. What a pity!”