

Chapter 995 Helpless Move

Liam's heart raced at the revelation.

Back then, when he had to leave the Hoffman family behind, all his men had been lost in battle.

Out of all his comrades, only Jaxtyn, who had been in a coma and hospitalized, hadn't died with the others in the Hoffman family.

But recently, when Liam had people look into Jaxtyn's situation, they had come up empty-handed. To his surprise, upon their meeting today, Jaxtyn had turned into a monster!

Liam felt a pang of pain and was momentarily in a daze.

While Liam was lost in thought, Shayla took on the monster's assault by herself. Yet, her frame was hardly strong enough to bear the brunt of such an attack, leading to her bleeding from the mouth.

Shayla glanced back and said sternly, "What are you waiting for? Let's take this monster down and get out of the dungeon!"

Listening to Shayla, Liam's brow furrowed. Despite the difficulty of acknowledging Jaxtyn's tragic fate, he openly addressed it. "That's my friend, Jaxtyn! Shayla,

please, let's not kill him!"

Shayla could only shake her head in resignation. Under these circumstances, making it out alive was already a challenge.

But Liam wasn't focused on that. For him, Jaxtyn was a friend. Hurting him wasn't an option.

So, while avoiding the monster's assault, Liam attempted to rouse his friend by calling out to him.

"Jaxtyn! Hey, it's me, Liam! Don't you remember me? What about Annie? Don't tell me you've forgotten her, too. And all that stuff that went down between us? Come on, man, snap out of it!"

Even Liam's mention of Annie didn't get a peep out of Jaxtyn, who had turned into a monster.

Shayla was chased by the monster. Now, she wasn't as quick on her feet as Liam and got hit by the monster for a few times.

Before long, Shayla was covered in injuries. With the monster's strength in mind, Shayla pinned her hopes on Liam.

Panting, Shayla said, "Liam, this monster's a real piece of work. It never gets tired or feels any pain! If we don't figure something out and get caught up in the fight with this monster, we'll all be dead! Maybe try using your armor?"

Liam ignored Shayla's words and remained unresponsive.

Because he felt deeply indebted to Jaxtyn. Seeing Jaxtyn in this state, Liam found it impossible to bring himself to end Jaxtyn's life.

But a moment of distraction resulted in Liam getting hit by the monster, causing the ice coffin strapped to his back to crash to the floor.

Luckily, the ice coffin was made of no ordinary material, leaving it unscathed.

The sight of the fallen ice coffin snapped Liam back to reality.

It served as a wake-up call for him.

Despite his reluctance to harm Jaxtyn, it was clear that Jaxtyn was no longer in control of himself, driven by a murderous rage.

If Liam couldn't stop Jaxtyn, he feared what could happen next.

With that realization, Liam's hesitation vanished. A bright red aura enveloped him instantly.

Upon seeing the emergence of the red armor, Shayla's eyes sparkled with a flicker of hope.

Even during their previous encounter in the underground arena, despite Liam's overwhelming

anger, he had never truly unleashed the full power of his armor. Liam realized that if he didn't act fast and use his armor, it would be too late.

As soon as he donned his armor, his strength surged dramatically.

Right then, the monster charged at him, aiming a punch his way.

Without hesitating, Liam countered with a punch of his own.

The clash sent both of them stumbling back from the immense force. Shayla took advantage of the situation, sweeping the monster off its feet with a swift leg kick.

Liam wasted no time, rushing to pin the monster down with all his strength.

Shayla quickly lent a hand, and together, they struggled to keep the monster restrained.

This time, with their combined effort, the monster, Jaxtyn, couldn't fight back.

After more than ten minutes, the monster was completely drained of its strength.

Shayla, looking down at the weakened Jaxtyn with a determined gaze, pulled a dagger from her belt, poised to kill it.

But just as she was about to strike, Liam stopped her.

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"Are you out of your mind?" Shayla, her brows knitted and a touch of annoyance in her voice, turned to Liam.

"Seriously, take a good look. This dude here is a straight-up monster. He isn't worthy of that 'brother' label you're giving him. If we let him get back on his feet, we're the ones who'll end up six feet under!" she added.

Liam stayed quiet, not sure how to come back at Shayla's accusation.

But he refused to let go of her hand holding the knife.

He was torn.

He didn't want to see this creature, carrying Jaxtyn's life, get killed by Shayla.

Seeing Liam's silence, Shayla was at a loss for words.

But that split second of hesitation was all the monster needed to recover.

Taking advantage, the monster launched a savage attack while Liam and Shayla were caught off guard, its strength way scarier than before.

With one final burst of energy, the monster flung Liam away with all its might.

Caught off guard, Liam went flying, crashing down hard and coughing up blood.

The ice coffin he was protecting went crashing down, too.

The monster's eyes were suddenly locked onto the fallen ice coffin.

It charged toward it, seeming dead set on smashing it to bits.

Seeing this, Liam's expression shifted. He positioned his body between the monster and the ice coffin, determined to stop it, even though the hit before had messed him up badly, bones out of place and all.

Liam, despite his wounds, desperately tried to stop the monster from moving forward.

Seeing Liam's boldness, Shayla grew more worried. Realizing it wouldn't work, she made a firm decision.

To Liam's surprise, a suit of armor suddenly appeared around Shayla.

Liam hadn't known Shayla had such armor, hidden even deeper than his own.

If it weren't for Jaxtyn's chaos, Shayla might never have shown this card.

Without hesitation, Shayla, now in armor, charged at the monster at lightning speed.

The monster, focused on Liam, didn't see Shayla's attack coming.

Shayla's speed, boosted by the armor, let her quickly slash the monster's throat with her dagger.

Blood flooded the dungeon instantly as the monster's life drained away, leaving it still and silent.

Shayla, having vanquished the threat in one swift move, breathed a sigh of relief and sat down, drained, catching her breath.

Liam looked at the motionless creature, his expression a mix of emotions. He approached it slowly.

Even in death, the monster showed no sign of understanding.

Liam let out a sigh.


Maybe this thing was just a plain old monster and had nothing to do with his friend, Jaxtyn.

He looked over at Shayla, taking a breather, and decided to keep his mouth shut.

He couldn't blame her.

This mess was all thanks to Leandro's dirty tricks.

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Realizing this, Liam felt a surge of anger.

He swore to settle every score, past and present.

Leandro must die!

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