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Karise was surprised to find the Milkshake House closed for their gathering. It wasn't necessary. The place was still big enough to accommodate their party, plus the store's walk-in customers. Karise thought it was over the top. However, she also appreciated the privacy.

She noticed lavish changes to the decors, but then again, it had that colossal banner congratulating her for the promotion that she thought was only fair.

The Milkshake house had a homey environment. There were long couches on the side with cupcakes and candy throw pillows. Most of the center tables were white squares, but for that occasion, they were groped to accommodate six guests each.

Karise's family arrived first. Her father and younger brother had huge grins, which she thought was strange. Some of her office mates came, and they acted like the usual, except they were taken aback after knowing she was dating Keith Henderson!

"You lucky, bitch! You did not say anything!" One of her office mates teased.

"Well, now you know. My Babe is Keith Henderson. And no, he is the lucky one," Karise confidently claimed.

Keith, who was behind her, acknowledged, "I am the lucky one. It's nice to meet Karise's office mates."

Soon, Keith's friends arrived, together with Evan and Shantelle. They all congratulated Karise, and then dinner began.

Karise was in her zone, and Keith loved it. She was comfortable being around her friends and family, chatting about work and old times. He became convinced he had made the right decision to propose, with important people in Karise's life.

When dinner was over, Keith suggested a milkshake toast. Cafe staff served varied flavors of their famous milkshakes, depending on the guests' request.

"Thank you all for coming. Today is a celebration of Karise's promotion. She has worked hard over the past few months, creating a new drug to help address heart conditions." Keith turned to Karise and said, "Babe, you deserve the promotion, and I wish you more career advancement in the future."

Keith raised his milkshake and added, "I love you, and this is for you! Cheers!"

"Thanks, Babe. I love you," Karise acknowledged, also raising her milkshake.

"Cheers!" Everyone echoed.

Each of the guests enjoyed their shake. Keith was especially eying as Karise finished her own shake. It was because he had instructed the cafe owner to put the two-million-dollar engagement ring inside Karise's milkshake.

"God! I miss this milkshake!" From one side of the table, Shantelle claimed, "Hubby, this is my new craving! The babies love it!"

"Should I buy the Milkshake House, Wifey?" Evan asked. His words encourage laughter around the cafe.

"Wow, the flavor is rich!" Sean remarked.

"Always loved the milkshake here. This is your first?" Wendell sought.

While the remarks about the milkshakes came flying, Keith remained glued to Karise's drink. Since it was served straight from the kitchen, Karise could scoop out the shake instead of sipping it from a straw.

"Loving the shake, Babe?" Keith asked. He was seated in front of Karise the whole time.

"Love it, Babe. Thanks for today," Karise replied. She leaned closer and warranted a kiss, which Keith granted.

Seconds went by with Karise nearly emptying her shake, and Keith began to worry. "Where is the engagement ring?!"

Keith kept leaning closer, looking at Karise's shake, but there were no signs of the ring!

"Babe, you barely touched your shake!" Karise pointed out. "If you wanted the vanilla shake, you should have ordered the same flavor as mine."

"Um." Suddenly, Keith's heart raced. There was little left of Karise's shake that made him nervous.

Unable to hold back, he grabbed her milkshake glass, saying, "Wait, Babe. Wait."

Keith shook the glass and scooped the remaining contents of the shake, but there was no ring! He was horrified! He said, "Oh, my god!" He returned his attention to Karise with eyes rounding. He said, "Babe, I'm sorry."

"Why are you sorry? And why are you looking at my empty glass like that?" Karise asked.

Beads of sweat formed on Keith's forehead. "Oh, shit!"

Evan, Sean, and Wendell stared at him with worry.

"Everything okay, Keith?" Evan asked.

"Keith?!" Finally, Karise asked, her voice raising. "You are scaring me. What happened?"

"Babe, did you feel anything? Something hard as you drank your shake?" Keith asked.

"You are not making sense, Keith? No, I felt nothing hard," Karise replied, utterly bemused.

Sucking in a deep breath, Keith announced, his voice breaking in and out of anxiety, "Babe, you – you might have just swallowed an eighteen-carat engagement ring!"

Silence fell upon them, following Keith's revelation.

Karise's eyes widened, and her gaze landed on her glass. She gulped and said, "You were planning to propose?"

"Yes!" Keith said, his hand running down his face.

"And you put the ring in my shake?" Karise asked.

"Yes, Babe. I did not think you'd empty it all down!" Keith said. "It was... a huge rock. You should have been able to feel it."

Keith was nearly in tears when he revealed, "Babe, I bought that, especially for you. It's a two-million-dollar engagement ring."

"Ahhhhh!" Karise screamed. "What should I do? What should I do?"

Turning to Shantelle, Karise asked, "Shanty, I need surgery now! My hopes of becoming Misses Henderson lies in your hands!" 2

"Let's go to the hospital! Dad! Take me to the hospital!" Karise called her father! 1

Most of those who were present also panicked, but Shantelle only laughed.

In fact, she snorted out of amusement.

"Shanty! This isn't funny. I have a two-million-dollar ring on my stomach somewhere! Please tell me the ring will be safe! How can Keith propose now?" Karise said, her eyes brimming with tears. "Help me get it out!"

"It's okay. You can poop it out later, maybe a day or two! Then Keith can propose again! Haha!" Shantelle revealed. "Just watched your strain bowel." 3

"Ahhhhh! That is not at all amusing!" Karise screamed again. She turned to Keith and said, "Babe, why did you put it in my shake? You should have just given it to me as normal people do!"

"I'm sorry, Babe." Keith was losing hope. His proposal plan became a total failure.

When he thought about taking Karise to the hospital for an x-ray, the kitchen staff interrupted. A young man said, "Mister Henderson. We are sorry." He gave the velvet box to Keith and said, "We forgot to put the ring inside the shake!"

Dead air followed.

Everyone's shoulders fell, relieved that Karise had not apparently consumed the ring with the shake.

Keith nearly fainted. He was thankful the kitchen staff forgot to follow through on his instructions. He accepted the velvet box and opened it.

There it was, the eighteen-carat diamond ring, gleaming in that heart-shaped cut. He took out the ring and let out a sigh. He kneeled on one knee, and then the cafe staff frantically let another backdrop fall from the ceiling.

It was a well-decorated backdrop that read: [Karise, will you marry me?]

"Karise, Babe. With you, life is never dull. Today is an example of it." laughter echoed from the observers. 1

Keith smiled and resumed, "I love your sense of adventure and how you push me to try new things. I want to wake up next to you every day of my life. Will you make me the happiest man alive and marry me?" Keith gulped and added, "I promise to maintain safety precautions in drinking milkshakes next time." 1

Laughter echoed throughout the cafe as Keith released himself from the stress of nearly losing the engagement ring. He briefly laughed with his friends before turning to Karise and awaiting her reply.

"Babe, please," Keith said.

"Babe, I'll marry you," Karise replied, teary-eyed.

Keith happily put on the ring on Karise. He got up and embraced her tightly. Following a kiss, he asked, "Let's get married."

"Huh?" Karise asked, puzzled.