

MISSING YOU

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The bedroom is decorated with a clear feminine touch. The walls are turquoise, and the bed has a floral bedspread on it. The bed is against one wall, and a dresser is across from it. There is a bookcase filled with books on a wall next to the door. The dresser is covered with a framed picture of the couple, a watch, jewelry boxes, and some ring boxes.

FRANKIE, a fit 28 year old male, stands by the bookcase. He slips a piece of paper between two books. ELEANOR, a pretty 26 year old female, sits on the bed and reads a bridal magazine. She looks at Frankie. They both wear pajamas.

ELEANOR

What are you doing?

Frankie turns to face Eleanor and walks towards her.

FRANKIE

Nothing.

ELEANOR

What did you hide?

FRANKIE

My vows.

Frankie runs his fingers across Eleanor's chin. She smiles.

ELEANOR

Can I read them?

FRANKIE

Not yet.

ELEANOR

Okay.

Eleanor kisses Frankie's cheek and sits on the bed.

The kitchen has an unfinished look to it. The walls and counter are colorful, and the cabinets are wood. Eleanor leans against the counter and goes through her mail. She places all but one envelope on the counter next to her. She looks at the envelope.

INSERT BANK ENVELOPE - which reads:

"First Bank

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11 1st Avenue

Baltimore, IL 60189

Ms. Eleanor Dawson

28 Watson Street

Baltimore, IL 60189

LAST NOTICE"

BACK TO SCENE

Eleanor shakes her head. She puts the envelope down and walks out of the room.

3 INT. BEDROOM - DAY

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The bedroom is decorated the same as before. A cardboard box sits on the bed. The box has a jewelry box and some books in it.

Eleanor grabs some books off of the bookcase. She walks to the box and sets them in it. She looks at the picture of her and Frankie and shakes her head. She grabs more books of the bookcase, and a folded piece of paper falls. Eleanor puts the books down and picks up the piece of paper. She unfolds it and reads.

INSERT NOTE - which reads:

"I knew you'd try to read them. You'll hear them soon.

Love you."

BACK TO SCENE

Eleanor shakes her head.

4 EXT. YARD - DAY

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The yard is open and green. There are trees on the edges, and a river lies to the back of the trees. A table with an altar stands in front of one of the trees. The table has a white tablecloth, a small vase with flowers, and a picture of the characters on it. It is simply decorated.

Eleanor stands by the table. She wears a simple white wedding dress. She picks up the picture and smiles. Frankie stands by the other side of the table. He wears dress pants, a dress shirt, and a tie.

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FRANKIE
Why are you still doing this?

ELEANOR
I don't know.

FRANKIE
It's time.

Eleanor puts the picture down and looks at Frankie.

FRANKIE
Why can't you move on?

ELEANOR
I don't know.

Frankie leans forward with his elbows resting on the table.

FRANKIE
Find the vows.

Eleanor frowns and turns away from Frankie.

5 INT. OFFICE - DAY

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The office has a desk and a filing cabinet along the wall. The desk has stacks of papers and folders on top and in shelves on the top. There is a desktop computer on it. The chair in front of the computer is black and has a tall back.

Eleanor wears blue jeans and a sweater. She sits in the chair and opens the drawers on the desk. She shuffles through the top one and closes it. She shuffles through the bottom one and slams it shut.

Eleanor stands up and pushes the chair to the side. She flips through the folders and papers on the desk shelves. She turns to the file cabinet and shakes her head. She walks out of the room.

6 INT. KITCHEN - DAY

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Eleanor searches through a cabinet. She frowns and closes the cabinet door. She drops her hands onto the counter and shakes her head.

7 INT. GARAGE - DAY 7

The garage is messy and has miscellaneous items spread around the room.

Eleanor stands in front of a toolbox and opens a drawer.

8 INT. CAR - DAY 8

The car is a newer silver sedan. The seats and dashboard are black. Eleanor sits on the front passenger's seat. She digs through the glove compartment. She slams it shut.

9 EXT. YARD - DAY 9

Eleanor walks by tall grass in the yard. Frankie watches her and walks in her direction.

FRANKIE

It's been two years.

Eleanor turns back around and takes a step.

ELEANOR

Why haven't I found them yet?

FRANKIE

You haven't been ready to.

Eleanor shakes her head and turns back towards Frankie.

FRANKIE

You're ready now.

Eleanor nods and walks away.

10 INT. BEDROOM - NIGHT 10

Eleanor walks in the room and looks around. She looks at the picture and sighs. She walks to the dresser and picks the picture frame. She smiles. She turns the picture over and takes off the back of the frame. She puts the back of the frame on the bed and lifts a folded piece of paper out of the frame. The paper is folded in half. She opens the paper and reads.

INSERT - THE VOWS, which reads:

"Eleanor,

I love you. You're my best friend. I choose you to stand by my side and be with me for the rest of my life.

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I promise to be your crying shoulder, your hand to hold, and everything in between. I promise to help fix your mistakes and celebrate your successes.

I am so lucky you chose me. I promise to make your life as happy as possible."

BACK IN BEDROOM

Eleanor smiles and sits on the bed.

11 EXT. YARD - DAY

11

Frankie sits under the far tree in the yard. He wears the suit. Eleanor walks to him.

FRANKIE
I kept my promise.

ELEANOR
I know.

Frankie stands up. Eleanor stands in front of him.

FRANKIE
I will be your husband, your best friend, and your love. Forever.

ELEANOR
I'll tell everyone about you.

Frankie smiles, and Eleanor hugs him. Eleanor holds him close.

FRANKIE
If you need to see me, you know where I'll be.

Frankie pulls away, and Eleanor drops her arms. Frankie walks towards the river. Eleanor watches him. She kneels by the tree and puts the vows down. She gets up and walks towards the house.

12 INT. BEDROOM - DAY

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Eleanor folds her wedding dress and puts it in the cardboard box. She grabs the picture and smiles. She puts the picture and her engagement ring into the box.