

Destination Wedding M/W
Waiting to board a plane in line together. Comedic

WOMAN

I'm actually going to Paso Robles.

MAN

They call it Paso "Roables."

WOMAN

Well, the correct pronunciation is Robles.

MAN

But they call it "Roables."

WOMAN

Whatever. I hope it's a big place.

MAN

It isn't.

WOMAN

If I see you at a restaurant, I'll go to another restaurant.

MAN

I'm not going to be in any restaurants.

WOMAN

Why? Are you checking into a mental institution?

MAN

I'm going to that most presumptuous of all things, a destination wedding.

WOMAN

Please don't tell me it's Keith and Anne's.

MAN

How many weddings can there possibly be on any given day in Paso Robles?

WOMAN

I was praying for two. And I was blaming Satan for my seat assignment when it was actually just Keith's assistant.

MAN

And how do you know the esteemed Keith?

WOMAN

I was engaged to him six years ago.

MAN

Oh, my God, you're Lindsay.

WOMAN

Why, how do you know him?

MAN

He and I have the same mother.

WOMAN

Holy shit, you're Frank?

MAN

Oh, you're even worse than he said.

WOMAN

You too.

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WOMAN

There was supposed to be a car.

MAN

Our flight was early.

WOMAN

Really? It seemed so long. So how much do you know about what happened between me and Keith?

MAN

I know that he broke off your engagement five weeks before the wedding. And now I know why. He said some shit about you, boy.

WOMAN

Like what?

MAN

Doesn't matter.

WOMAN

Don't do that, don't dangle an injurious tidbit and then snatch it away.

MAN

Or what, I'll die alone? Keith is a panhandling piece of garbage, and you're better off without him. Which is saying something, considering how bad off you are. Just pity the bride, whoever she is.

WOMAN

You haven't met her?

MAN

Just like I never met you. I stay as far away from Keith as I can. My mother insisted I turn up for this shit show, otherwise, I wouldn't be meeting you now.

WOMAN

Isn't that nice to think about?

MAN

She said it's important to show up because if you show up, the worst they can say is you're horrendous, which is subjective. But not showing up is objective.

WOMAN

Well, you showed up.

MAN

Why would you come to his wedding? He broke your heart, as I recall.

WOMAN

Shattered, yes.

MAN

Didn't you wind up suing him?

WOMAN

Well, I needed to lash out. Plus he cost my parents \$32,000 in deposits.

MAN

Did you win?

WOMAN

There was a settlement.

MAN

Did you feel better?

WOMAN

Look, I came because he invited me.

MAN

He only invited you because he wanted to act like a big person, not because he, in any way, wanted you to come.

WOMAN

You think I wanted to come? I'm just trying to be the big person.

MAN

See, this only works if one of you actually is a big person.

WOMAN

Well, also, I need closure.

MAN

You don't have closure? It was six years ago.

WOMAN

Do I strike you as someone who has closure?

MAN

He's marrying someone else. That's closure. It's closed.

WOMAN

Closed is not the same thing as closure. [car horn beeps] Any chance they sent two cars?

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MAN

How's your room?

WOMAN

I'm just sleeping there. How's yours?

MAN

I'll let you know after I run a UV light over the sheets.

WOMAN

We really shouldn't speak anymore.

MAN

If you think that's best.

WOMAN

Do you think Keith is trying to fix us up?

MAN

Even he is smarter than that.

WOMAN

I don't know. I mean, same flight. Seated next to each other on the plane. Adjoining rooms. Seated next to each other here. You think that's all just coincidence?

MAN

Keith has never had a thought about another human being.

WOMAN

So we're just the people you don't know where to stick?

MAN

Might as well just stick us together.

WOMAN

I don't want to be a person you don't know where to stick. That is not the life

I imagined for myself.

MAN

I'm sure your next life will be better. Welp, here we go.

WOMAN

So that's her.

MAN

Yep.

WOMAN

She is a tall glass of hemlock.

MAN

She's Danish.

WOMAN

Dutch, I thought.

MAN

Danish. From Denmark.

WOMAN

I know where Danish are from. He looks the same as he used to.

MAN

Plastic people don't age.

WOMAN

Well, I was hoping he had. I was hoping he'd be less attractive or on his way to obesity.

MAN

Is this the first time you've seen him since the crushing ending? Is it bad?

WOMAN

Yep.

MAN

As bad as you feared?

WOMAN

Yeah. Worse. How can this be the way the species is set up?

MAN

I'm sorry?

WOMAN

How can we be allowed to feel so much for people who don't feel anything for us?

MAN

You're assuming that you're normal, which is hilarious.

WOMAN

It's incredibly cruel.

MAN

Well, look at it this way. For a time, you carved out a place in his life when there really shouldn't have been one.

WOMAN

That makes me a dipshit.

MAN

I agree. I was just humoring you. The truth is, from puberty on in, we should all just be playing defense.

WOMAN

"On in"? On in to what?

MAN

Death.

WOMAN

Oh, God.