

# ***Frisco Eddie's Revenge: The Return***

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*(Editor's Note: In last month's episode, during Eddie and Shelli's wedding ceremony when the pastor said: "...if anyone can show just cause why this couple should not be united in marriage, let them speak now or forever hold their peace," Long Beach Lil appeared and announced that she, indeed, had "just cause.")*

Everyone in the room was totally shocked when they heard Lil announce that Eddie was the fa...father of the child she was carrying! The Pastor really wasn't entirely sure of how to properly proceed in a situation like this. The wedding guests, and the participants, were starting to get a little edgy. There was a lot of tension in that Chapel right then, to say the least!

Finally, the Pastor made a decision to act. He called Eddie aside into the hallway which was adjacent to the altar. He had already had a briefing with both Eddie and Shelli -- but this new situation demanded a much deeper insight into the matter. He had previously established that they were both Christians, being raised (and "saved") in the Southern Baptist faith. However, they had confessed to being in a "backslidden" state.

The Pastor wanted to know just one thing there in the hallway. He looked Eddie straight in the eye, had him place his right hand on the Bible he still had in his hand, and asked Eddie to answer one question: "Is it in anyway possible that you could be the father as that lady in there claims?"

Eddie also looked the pastor in the eye and replied: "I swear on this Bible that I am not -- and could not be the father." The minister had a slight grin on his face then and said to Eddie: "I believe you, son. Let's go back in there and finish this wedding."

When they got inside, the Pastor made a short announcement (directed at Lil): "Young lady, after my short review, I see no reason for this wedding not to proceed. If what you say is true, there are legal recourses available to you, and I suggest you pursue your grievances through those avenues. Until then, I would ask that there be no further disturbances during this ceremony."

Lil did make a reply on her way out. In a loud voice, she said: "I'm going to pursue this thing alright -- but the avenue I take won't be the one you described." Then, as she was almost out of sight, she turned and hollered out: "A CURSE ON THIS WEDDING!"

Needless to say, there were gasps and "oh, no's" from the invited guests, but the Pastor didn't get unraveled. He calmly waited for everyone to quiet down, then proceeded to finish. To be sure, when he finally got to say: "You may kiss the bride," Eddie was stone cold sober!

A small reception was to follow the ceremony at the same wedding chapel. Due to the circumstances, Eddie and Shelli decided to stay just long enough to show their respects to the guests, and then get away from there as fast as they could.

The reception was rather jaded because most of the conversations were about the bizarre set of circumstances which had preceded it. Everyone showed empathy when Eddie announced that they were going to leave, and start their honeymoon. The flowers were cast over Shelli's shoulder, and many handfuls of rice were thrown, along with a lot of cheering as they made their exit to the limousine.

Then a strange thing occurred shortly after they left the area. Shelli happened to notice what appeared to be a small envelope in a pouch in the door next to her seat. As they were opening it up, they assumed that it was probably a note from a wellwisher, but instead, icy chills went up both their spines as they read:

"Eddie: You'll be getting a visit from some people soon. Some people you really don't want to see. Remember your friend in Puyallup, Washington? This time, don't expect...a happy ending."

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*A threat from Lil, with her close underworld connections, is not to be taken lightly. The "some people" are certain to be the same characters we have met before, characters directed by Lil's "ex." What a way to start a honeymoon! Stay tuned for the next exciting episode.*

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*Would you believe it? This is Ron's 68th episode of Frisco Eddie! The Board Talk publishers thank him for his monthly contributions. Bless you, Ron!*