Private Matthew Lewis (26, M, Black)

Private Matthew Lewis, a 26-year-old military personnel, assists Brooklyn in accessing information related to Josiah's military history. With an efficient and matter-of-fact approach, Lewis is dedicated to fulfilling his duty to help.

Character Traits: Efficient, Matter-of-fact, Dedicated, Helpful

Brooklyn Pace (22, F, Black)

Brooklyn Pace, a 22-year-old Black woman, is Josiah's compassionate and intelligent fiancée. She serves as his emotional anchor, fiercely dedicated to uncovering the truth behind Josiah's traumatic experiences. Her nurturing and protective nature makes her a pillar of strength in his life.

Character Traits: Compassionate, Intelligent, Protective, Dedicated

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Brooklyn sits with Army Private Matthew Lewis at his desk while he reviews Josiah's military files off his computer.

LEWIS

Private Josiah Lawson?

BROOKLYN

Yes.

LEWIS

Leave the paperwork, and I'll make sure the hospital gets all the information they need.

BROOKLYN

Where is Sergeant Ragnar?

LEWIS

Sergeant Wagner?

Private Lewis turns his attention back to his computer.

BROOKLYN

That's who he always reports to.

LEWIS

Oh, here he is.

Brooklyn waits for the information.

LEWIS (CONT'D)

That was a very long time ago.

BROOKLYN

A long time ago?

LEWIS

Yes. Sergeant Ragnar was his drill sergeant when he first entered the military for boot camp.

BROOKLYN

Doesn't your drill sergeant still stay in touch with you?

LEWIS

No. Why would they?

BROOKLYN

To take you on special missions.

LEWIS

Special Missions?

BROOKLYN

Yeah.

LEWIS

No.

Lewis silently watches Brooklyn, who appears bewildered by the information.

LEWIS (CONT'D)

(assertive)

If you ever need further assistance, don't hesitate to contact me.

BROOKLYN

I will.

LEWIS

For anything.

BROOKLYN

I'm pregnant.

LEWIS
(unfazed by her
revelation)
I always wanted kids and a family.

Brooklyn lets out a barely audible gasp, clearly taken aback and flattered by Lewis's inviting response.

Lewis writes his cell phone number on the back of his business card and slides it to Brooklyn.

Brooklyn doesn't utter a word. She takes the card and walks away, leaving Lewis with a very hopeful grin stretched across his face.