

Loretta takes a look at Max.

LORETTA

Well I'll be damned. Good to see you, Max.

Max looks up.

MAX

Loretta Parker.

LORETTA

I hear you're talking tonight.

MAX

I forgot how fast word spreads in this town.

LORETTA

Faster than a fat kid on cake. What do you want?

MAX

Nothing. I stopped drinking after Mom and Dad died.

LORETTA

I was sorry to hear about that.

MAX

Everyone dies one way or another.

A beat.

MAX

How are you, Loretta?

LORETTA

Same old, same old. Nothing has changed in here since you thought you were slick with your fake ID.

MAX

What about out there?

LORETTA

New folks are in town, strip malls are being built, and I think we've had a dozen mayors in twenty years. The football team even won more than 3 games too.

MAX

What about the Sheriff? Janice tells me it's been O'Brien for a long time.

LORETTA

Seemingly the only thing that doesn't change.

A beat. Loretta pauses working.

LORETTA

I know you're here to ask me some question about Benji. What do you want to know?

MAX

Harold Benetti.

LORETTA

Never liked him. He was a drunk, constantly getting thrown out. Cops took his license away for too many DUIs.

MAX

So it was normal he'd walk all the way home?

LORETTA

It's the only way he got around town.