The Only Ones Who Know

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The Only Ones Who Know: The Official Version

Chapter 1 of 2

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"This place is full of decay and Darkness."

Hermione ignored the hand gloved in black leather. "Not yet."

"They aren't real."

"They were."

"No longer."

"I remember them, Severus."

"As does my ghost. Stop wasting time. You made your choice."

"I didn't know what would--"

"You knew there would be consequences."

"Saving someone who deserved to live seemed worth anything."

"Until you condemned your children to non-existence. Come."

She stood, allowing her husband to guide her from the place that would have been her home.

Neither saw the grey figure, swathed in black tatters, rising from the leaf mould.

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A/N: I've borrowed them in order to see what they'd do with a bit of a dark-ish love story. This is the official version posted to the grangersnape100 LiveJournal community for the Dementors Challenge. Next up: the original (preferred) version. Many thanks to linlawless for beta-reading both.

The Only Ones Who Know: Original

Chapter 2 of 2

They are the only ones who remember what should have happened.

"This place is full of decay and Darkness."
She ignored the hand gloved in black leather. "Not yet."
"They aren't real."
"They were."
"No longer."
"I remember them."
"As does my ghost. Stop wasting time. You made your choice."
"I didn't know what would happen."
"You knew there would be consequences."
"Saving a man who deserved to live seemed worth anything."
"Until you condemned your children to never having existed. Come."
She stood without help. Together, they left the place that would have been her home.
Neither saw the grey figure, swathed in black tatters, rising from the leaf mould.

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