

Carbon Monoxide

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**REGINA AND FRANK HARPER ARE
NEWLYWEDS AND HAVE 2
DAUGHTERS ,CINDY 2 AND
MICHELLE 4, FROM REGINA`S
PREVIOUS MARRIAGE.REGINA IS A
HOMEMAKER/FORMER MODEL
WHILE FRANK IS A GYNECOLOGIST
IN HIS MANY YEARS OF
PRACTICE.THEY LIVE IN ONE OF
THE NICEST HOMES JUST OUTSIDE
OF LOS ANGELES IN A VERY
SECLUDED AREA WITH A VERY**

**HAPPY LIFE.THEIR TWO
DAUGHTERS ARE A HANDFULL FOR
ANYONE ESPECIALLY THEIR MOM
WHO SEEMS A LITTLE MORE
OVERWHELMED THAN OTHER
MOMS.IT IS A SUNNY WEEKEND
MORNING ABOUT 9 AM .THE
HARPER HOUSE IS FULL OF LIFE
AND EVERYONE IS AT THE
BREAKFAST TABLE.THE CHILDREN
SING AND LAUGH WHILE EATING
CEREAL AND REGINA STANDS IN
FRONT OF THE STOVE
SCRAMBLING EGGS.SHE SEEMS A
BIT FRUSTRATED WITH THE KIDS
CONSTANTLY FUSSING AT THEM
SAYING THEY NEED TO SHUT
UP.FRANK ,TRYING TO IGNORE
REGINA , SITS WITH THE GIRLS,
LAUGHING AND PLAYING ,WHILE
DRINKING HIS COFFEE MIXED WITH**

**HIS FAVORITE VODKA.THIS IS
SOMETHING HE HIDES FROM HIS
WIFE WHO HE TOLD HE QUIT
DRINKING.AFTER REGINA FINISHES
COOKING SHE SETS A PLATE OF
EGGS IN FRONT OF FRANK .HE
BEGINS EATING AS SHE REMOVES
THE BOWLS THE KIDS WERE
EATING THEIR CEREAL FROM.SHE
DISMISSES THE NOISY CHILDREN
FROM THE TABLE AND SENDS
THEM TO THE LIVINGROOM TO
WATCH TELEVISION.SHE THEN SITS
AT THE TABLE AND PULLS OUT
SOME DOCUMENTS.FRANK STOPS
EATING AND ASKS WHAT THEY
WERE.REGINA REPLY'S THAT THEY
ARE CREDIT CARD BILLS AND
WONDERS WHAT THE PROBLEM IS
SINCE THEY SHOULDN'T BE
BEHIND.FRANK EXPLAINS TO HER**

**HOW MUCH SHE HAS BEEN
SPENDING ON NONSENSE AND
REGINA GETS UPSET.SHE STORMS
OUT OF THE KITCHEN AND INTO
THE BEDROOM FUSSING AND
COMPLAINING.SHE YELLS ABOUT
HOW SHE NEEDS A BREAK FROM
HIM AND THE KIDS ,DESPERATELY
SEEKING A VACATION.FRANK
LEAVES THE TABLE AND YELLS
BACK ABOUT HOW HE`S TIRED OF
HER SPENDING ALL THE MONEY.HE
ALSO SAYS HOW THE GIRLS ARE
NOT REALLY HIS RESPONSIBILITY
AND HE IS FED UP.AFTER SAYING
ALL THIS THE TWO OF THEM TURN
AROUND AND THE KIDS HAVE
HEARD EVERYTHING.REGINA
CURSES AT THEM AND ORDERS
THEM TO GO TO THEIR ROOM WITH
FORCE.THE KIDS CRY EXTREMELY**

AND YELL OUT THAT THEY DON'T WANT TO GO THEN SHE SPANKS THEM.FRANK COMES TO THEIR RESCUE AND TELLS REGINA HE WILL CALL THE AUTHORITIES IF SHE TOUCHES THE KIDS LIKE THAT AGAIN.SHE TELLS HIM TO STAY OUT OF IT ,AND WHEN IT COMES TO HER CHILDREN HE IS NOT THE FATHER.HE RESPONDS SAYING THAT IT IS FINE BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT HIS ANYWAY.SHE SLAPS HIM IN THE FACE AND HE PUSHES HER INTO THE WALL.FRANK REMEMBERS HE IS A MAN SO HE STOPS THE ALTERCATION.REGINA STORMS OFF INTO THE BATHROOM AND FRANK OUT THE PATIO DOOR.WHILE FRANK SITS IN THE CAR REGINA SITS ON THE PHONE SPEAKING TO HER BEST FRIEND

**ABOUT WHAT JUST
HAPPENED.FOR SOME TIME NOW
REGINA HAS HAD A SEVERE
SPENDING PROBLEM.SHE WAS
ONE OF THE TRAILOR TRASH KIDS
YOU HEAR ABOUT OR SEE ON
TV.TO HAVE A RICH DOCTOR
HUSBAND WITH NO KIDS AND NO
FAMILY WAS WHAT SHE WAS
LOOKING FOR TO SURVIVE.SHE
HAS PUT HER AND HER CHILDREN
IN A SERIOUS SITUATION.WHAT IF
HE LEAVES HER ?LUCKY FOR HER
FRANK IS A DO RIGHT TYPE OF
GUY AND REALLY LOVES HER
INCLUDING HER 2 KIDS.FRANK
PULLS OUT HIS CELL AND PLACES
A CALL TO A GOOD LAWYER
BUDDY OF HIS.THIS GUY IS A
DIVORCE ATTORNEY AND HE HAS
WON A LOT OF CASES.FRANK**

**NEEDS HELP AND HE NEEDS IT
FAST.HE HAS AN OUT OF CONTROL
MONEY FIEND WITH NO
APPRECIATION FOR HIS HARD
WORK.SHE CAN CARELESS FOR
HIS FEELINGS OR EVEN FOR THE
CHILDREN.FRANK DECIDES HE
WANTS A DIVORCE.HE ASKS HIS
FRIEND IF HE CAN GET CUSTODY
OF THE GIRLS SINCE SHE IS HIS
WIFE .THE LAWYER GIVES HIM
HOPE AND SAYS HE WILL WORK
ON IT AND THEY HANG UP.WHILE
THE TWO PARENTS MAKE
CALLS,THE 2 GIRLS HAVE
WANDERED INTO THE KITCHEN TO
PLAY UNATTENDED.THE 2 YEAR
OLD SLIGHTLY TURNS THE PILOT
ON THE STOVE SLOWLY LETTING
SMALL AMOUNTS OF GAS FREE
INTO THE AIR.NO ONE IS PAYING**

ATTENTION AND THE KIDS ARE ALONE.SOON THE GIRLS LEAVE THE KITCHEN WHILE CARBON MONOXIDE IS SLOWLY FLOWING UNDETECTED.REGINA RUNS SOME BATH WATER AND DECIDES TO GIVE HERSELF SOME TIME TO THINK.FRANK COMES IN AND LIES ON THE FAMILY ROOM COUCH TO REST HIS MIND FOR A WHILE.THE WINDOWS IN THE HOUSE ARE CLOSED AND THE ONLY WINDOW OPEN IS IN THE BATHROOM.REGINA SITS IN THE TUB SHAVING HER LEGS.A HALF HOUR HAS PASSED AND SHE IS STILL IN THE BATH TUB PAINTING HER TOES.THE PHONE RINGS AND RINGS SO SHE FINALLY ANSWERS IT.FRANKS LAWYER CANT REACH HIM ON HIS CELL SO HE CALLS THE

**HOUSE PHONE.REGINA SAYS SHE
WILL TELL HIM TO CALL BACK
WHEN HE IS AVAILABLE AND SHE
SAYS IT SARCASTICALLY.THEN SHE
HANGS UP WITH A CROOKED
SMILE.HER MIND IS TELLING HER
THAT THERE`S A CONSPIRACY
GOING ON BETWEEN THAT
LAWYER AND HER
HUSBAND.AFTER BEING IN THE
BATHROOM FOR AT LEAST AN
HOUR SHE DECIDES TO GET OUT
OF THE TUB.SHE DRIES OFF AND
SLIPS ON HER ROBE.SHE SPENDS
ANOTHER 20 MINUTES BRUSHING
HER JET BLACK HAIR AND
APPLYING BEAUTY PRODUCTS TO
HER FACE AND BODY.SHE THEN
EXITS INTO THE FAMILY ROOM TO
FINISH THE RUCKUS SHE
STARTED.FRANK SEEMS TO BE**

**SLEEPING VERY SOUNDLY.SO SHE
THEN WALKS TO THE GIRLS ROOM
AND FINDS THEM SLEEPING
ALSO.SHE FIGURES “OH WELL
HERE`S MY CHANCE TO TAKE OFF
UNDETECTED”.REGINA HAS
ALWAYS BEEN A BETRAYAL TO
FRANK.HIS ONLY FRIENDS HAVE
TRIED ON SEVERAL OCCASSIONS
TO GET HIM TO SEE HOW SHE
REALLY IS.A GOLD DIGGER AND A
BLEEDER OF HEARTS.FRANK
NEVER LISTENED THINKING HE
HAD FINALLY FOUND HIS
QUEEN.LOOKS ARE VERY
DECIEVING AND REGINA IS A WOLF
AND SHEEPS CLOTHING.SHE GETS
DRESSED,JUMPS IN THE BMW,AND
RIDES OF TO A SMALL RESORT TO
DRINK AND HAVE FUN WITH A FEW
FRIENDS.TIME PASSES AT LEAST 3**

**HOURS AND REGINA IS STILL WITH
HER FRIENDS NOW SHOPPING AT
THE MALL.AFTER AN HOUR
PASSES BY SHE TELLS HER
FRIENDS GOOD BYE AND HEADS
HOME.THE ENTIRE TIME SHE`S
DRIVING SHE SPEAKS TO HERSELF
AND DECIDES THAT HER HUSBAND
AND CHILDREN AREALL SHE
HAS.SHE SAYS TO HERSELF THAT
SHE`S GOING TO DO RIGHT,STOP
SPENDING,SPEND TIME WITH HER
FAMILY,JUST DO THINGS
RIGHT.THIS MAKES HER FEEL
GOOD AND SHE CAN`T WAIT TO GO
IN HER HOME AND LOVE HER
FAMILY UNCONDITIONALLY.SHE
ARRIVES AT HOME HAPPY AND
CHEERFUL,STEPPING OUT THE
CAR,SHE HAS A STRANGE
FEELING.THAT DOESN`T STOP HER**

**FROM EXITING THE CAR AND
WALKING IN THE HOUSE.SHE
YELLS OUT"WHERE'S
EVERYBODY"?NO ONE ANSWERS
SO SHE GOES INTO THE FAMILY
ROOM.TO HER SURPRISE FRANK
HASN'T GOTTEN UP FROM HIS
EARLY MORNING SLUMBER.SHE
CALLS OUT TO HIM AND STILL
GETS NO ANSWER.REGINA WALKS
OVER TO HIM YELLING AT
HIM"WAKE UP FRANK AND STOP
IGNORING ME".HE DOESN'T MAKE
A MOVE.TREMBOLES COME FROM
HER MOUTH AS IF SHE IS GOING IN
SHOCK.SHE TAPS FRANK ON THE
SHOULDER THEN PUSHES HIS
CHEST.SUDDENLY SHE SNIFFS AT
THE AIR AND TO HER SURPRISE
IT'S A GAS SMELL.SHE PANICS AND
YELLS FOR THE CHILDREN WHILE**

**PUSHING AND SHOIVING AT
FRANKS LIFELESS BODY.WHEN
SHE GETS NO RESPONSE SHE
RUNS UPSTAIRS TO CHECK THE
GIRLS BUT ITS TOO LATE FOR
THEM TOO.THE CARBON
MONOXIDE KILLED THEM FROM
THE STOVE.DUE TO HER
NEGLEGENCE AND DECEIT HER
ENTIRE FAMILY WAS DEAD.**
