

The touching story of Abigail

Abigail and Tom have been married for over 49 years now and have lived happily in their small house. Both of them have been retired for some years now and they were enjoying their time together. They have a daughter, who lives nearby with her family and regularly comes to visit them with her little kids.

But all of this suddenly changed one day, when Tom suffered a stroke. Luckily he reached hospital quickly. Even though Tom recovered quite well and didn't suffer from long-term mental damage, during Tom's rehab it got clear to Abigail, that the daily life for the two of them, alone in the house would be impossible from now on. Just thinking of the stairs things would get impossible for Tom. So she started searching for alternatives – maybe a flat for both of them with access to care-service for Tom. But sadly it seemed impossible to get a free flat in one of those facilities for quite some time. They told her that if it would have been Tom alone, there might have been a chance. But Abigail just couldn't imagine leaving Tom alone and living without Tom by her side.

That's when she met Ferdinand a manager of one care-facility, which offered living and care-services according to the inhabitants needs. When Ferdinand got to know about Abigail's misfortune he made her a deal: He could get them a flat within the facility, if she would pay him the amount of 10.000.-€.

On one hand Abigail was deeply shocked, as she knew that this would mean spending nearly all their savings. But on the other hand she really couldn't imagine staying in the big house all on her own and sending Tom to an eldercare-home.

As she absolutely didn't know what to do, she told her daughter about her dilemma. And her daughter said: "Mother you are old enough to decide on your own. I can't help you with this.

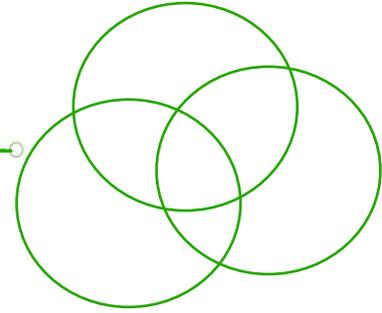
So Abigail secretly went to the bank to get the 10.000.-€ and handed the money to the manager of the care-facility. And finally both Abigail and Tom moved into the new flat, where they had all the help needed and could live and spend some very happy time together...

... until the day, when Abigail told Tom, what she had to do to get the flat. Tom got really angry, because he felt betrayed and lied to. He sent Abigail away and didn't want to see Abigail ever again. Abigail left their apartment covered in tears.

Right in front of the door she ran into Carl, who since their early days has been the best friend of Tom. When Carl saw Abigail he asked why she was crying – so Abigail told him about the flat and also about Tom's heavy reaction.

You have to know that Carl indeed was Tom's best friend, but also has been terribly in love with Abigail since they were kids. But he has never told Abigail and she didn't realize. Now he realized his chance, which might have been the last one. He went to speak with Tom and they got into a heavy fight, which ended their friendship.

Abigail was truly happy that Carl has stand up for her and that her honour was restored. So she happily left with Carl.



For the Trainer

Values

Abigail - wife

love, honesty, wish to help, honour

Tom – husband

love, honesty, trust, honour, friendship

Daughter

freedom, freedom of decision, giving advise, family (role), care for parents

Ferdinand – Facility-Manager

money, egoism?, making an offer, creating possibilities

Carl – friend of the family

love, friendship,