

SERIAL KILLER CLETUS KASADY BONDED WITH A DERANGED ALIEN SYMBIOTE THAT GRANTED HIM POWERS SIMILAR TO THOSE OF SPIDER-MAN AND ENABLED HIM TO CRAFT BLADED WEAPONS OUT OF THE CREATURE'S ORGANIC TISSUE. WITH NEWFOUND POWER TO ACT OUT HIS DEADLIEST IMPULSES, CLETUS BECAME

CARNAGE

CLAIRE DIXON OF THE FBI CREATED A TASK FORCE TO FIND AND CAPTURE *CARNAGE*.

SHE HAS ENLISTED THE HELP OF WAR HERO AND ASTRONAUT JOHN JAMESON, A.K.A. THE LYCANTHROPIC *MAN-WOLF*, AND EDDIE BROCK, CURRENT HOST OF THE *TOXIN* SYMBIOTE, TO TRAP *CARNAGE*.

THEIR PLAN BACKFIRED. *CARNAGE* ESCAPED INTO AN ABANDONED MINE, AND DIXON HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO LET *TOXIN* OFF HIS LEASH.

MEANWHILE, *CARNAGE* DISCOVERED A CULT WORSHIPPING THE *DARKHOLD*, A MYSTICAL AND POWERFUL BOOK THAT HAS SINCE GRANTED HIM THE POWER TO *CONTROL* THE CULTISTS.

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KNOW THE
BIG PLUS 'BOUT
BEING AN
ORPHAN?

NEVER
HAVING TO DUCK AN
AWKWARD FAMILY
REUNION.

HOLIDAYS
ARE QUIET.
BIRTHDAYS,
JUST ME.

LIFE
WITHOUT FAMILY IS
UNCOMPLICATED.

I LIKE
UNCOMPLICATED.

THEN
YOU SHOW
UP.

THAT VOICE--
IS THAT CLETUS
KASADY?

CARNAGE?

HE LOOKS
DIFFERENT--

WHY DOES
HE LOOK SO
DIFFERENT?

AND
WHERE DID
THOSE OTHER
THINGS COME
FROM?

I'M
GUESSING...FROM
IN HERE?



...

SON
OF A...
GLEASON.



BROCK, IT'S YOU IN THERE, RIGHT?

ALWAYS KNEW WE'D MEET AGAIN, DADDY DEAREST.

OR SHOULD I CALL YOU "JUNIOR?"

GOTTA ADMIT, THIS FATHER-SON-GRANDSON MESS GIVES ME A HEADACHE.

CALL ME TOXIN, MONSTER.

I'M THE POISON THAT'S GONNA EAT YOUR SOUL.

GLEASON IS THE BASTARD RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL THIS.

MANUELA-- ON IT.

YOU THINK I'M RESPONSIBLE?

ON THE CONTRARY.



I'M A TOOL
IN THE SERVICE
OF A GREAT
POWER.

YOU'RE
A TOOL, ALL
RIGHT.

BY HIS
WILL, YOU
CANNOT
TAKE ME.

WANT
TO BET?

"VULGTLAGIN
CHTHON--"



"--FM'LATCH
SHUGG!"



BIG TALK,
PAPA-SON.

LUCKY I
GOT MORE
THAN TALK ON
MY SIDE.

I GOT AN
ARMY.

YEAH?

FROM
WHAT I
SEE--



--YOUR "ARMY"
BARELY QUALIFIES
AS CANNON
FODDER.