A SPECIAL KIND OF LOVE

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FADE IN:

INT. BATHROOM - NIGHT

TODD, (20), handsome, looks nervous. He stares into a mirror.

He’s wearing a smart shirt with jeans.

TODD
Come on, Todd. It’s just a date.

Takes a deep breath and steadies himself.

INT. BEDROOM - NIGHT

The room is dark, quiet and miserable.

Todd sits in a chair beside the bed.

Todd’s MOM, (46), looks weak and frail with a poor complexion.

She lies under the bed sheets.

Todd holds his mother’s hand.

TODD
You know I’ve got a date tonight?

She smiles.

MOM
Emma, wasn’t it?

TODD
Yeah that’s her. You’d like her.

MOM
It would be nice to see you with a nice girl. You shouldn’t be stuck to me.

TODD
Mom, you know what the doctor said.

MOM
I just want you to be happy.

TODD
I am happy. I am happy.

MOM
Promise me you won’t end up a alone like me.
TODD
You’re not alone. You’ve got me and I’ve got you.

She smiles to Todd. Coughs violently.

TODD (CONT’D)
Here, drink this.

Todd hands her some water. She soothes her throat.

TODD (CONT’D)
You’re the best mom anybody could ask for. And I guarantee, you’ll be the one going on a date next valentines day.

MOM
We’ll see.

Todd checks his watch.

TODD
I don’t have to go, you know?

MOM
Yes you do.

TODD
I’ll probably be home late.

MOM
Todd, go have some fun. I’ll be fine.

Todd lovingly kisses his mom on the forehead.

TODD
I love you.

INT. FRONT DOOR - NIGHT

The door bell RINGS. Todd opens the door.

EMMA, (20), a beautiful blonde. She wears a fine red dress. She’s smiles.

EMMA
Hey, Todd. You ready?

Todd pauses, he gives Emma a soulful look.

INT. BEDROOM - NIGHT

Todd’s back in the chair, his Mom’s still in the bed.
They’re smiling and laughing.
The room is bright and the television is loud.
Emma enters the room carrying a bowl of popcorn.

    EMMA
    I miss much?

    MOM
    No, it’s just started.

Todd’s Mom sits up in the bed.
Emma sits beside Todd in another chair.
She places her hand on his. They share a smile.
Todd’s Mom smiles peacefully.

    FADE OUT.