"DAVID LINLEY"

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FADE IN:

INT. OLDER HOME            SUNRISE

Round analog alarm clock buzzes in an older looking bedroom. From a ceiling view you see HAROLD, an innocent looking gentleman in his 60’s alone in bed, eyes open up then slowly reaches to turn it off. He sits up and slowly turns putting his feet in his slippers next to the bed. Harold sits for a few seconds before rising.

DAVID (voice over)
My name is David Linley. I am 28 years old. Lately, I’ve come to understand that life doesn’t always work out the way you planned as a kid.

Harold slowly shuffles across the bedroom and into the bathroom.

INT. BATHROOM            SUNRISE

From medicine cabinet view Harold is brushing his teeth. From over his shoulder you see him looking at his reflection in the mirror.
DAVID (v.o.)
I had the same aspirations as the other kids did. I was gonna be a firefighter, or a secret government agent, or maybe a movie star! But, of course, none of that ever happened.

Harold rinses, opens the medicine cabinet and takes out a prescription bottle. Opens the bottle and takes one pill.

DAVID (v.o.)
We’ve all heard people say, “Live everyday like it’s your last.” Well, does anyone really do that? I sure didn’t.

INT. LIGHTED BEDROOM MORNING

Harold is straightening his tie in the mirror.

DAVID (v.o.)
I was always planning for the future. Working and saving and working and saving. Making sure I would be well taken care of during my GOLDEN years.

EXT. PARKING LOT MID-DAY

Birdseye view of older car pulling into a parking lot. Harold enters an unknown building.
DAVID (v.o.)
Make everyday like it’s your last?
Boy do I wish I had listened.

INT. UNKNOWN ROOM       MID-DAY

Tight shot of Harold standing at a podium, microphone in front of him. He takes one last look over a sheet of paper then sets it down on the podium.

DAVID (v.o.)
My name is David Linley,
And I was 28 years old.

CAMERA SLOWLY PULLS BACK FROM HAROLD, FIRST REVEALING A LARGE FLOWER BOUQUET WITH THE NAME DAVID, THEN A ROOM FULL OF SEATED PEOPLE.

Harold
Good evening. Thank you all for coming. Today we are here to celebrate the life of David Linley.

FADE TO WHITE

THE END