

# THE WIDOW DUNN I

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Crews stares at the man whose face can be seen, tries to see the name on the officer's name plate. Too small, too blurry.

CREWS

Ted... you were guilty.

TED EARLEY

Yeah, but it still hurt to see it there like that in print.

Under the number 6 Crews writes a question mark. He steps back. That one picture on the wall... two names; JACK REESE and JIM DUNN and FOUR QUESTION MARKS.

TED EARLEY (CONT'D)

Where you going to start?

CREWS

(looks at picture)

...with the woman...

CAMERA GOES CLOSE ON THE IMAGE OF THE WIDOW and then...

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INT. SIMPLE CULVER CITY LIVING ROOM - DAY

Crews and that same woman, the WIDOW DUNN, she is now 20 years older... she has not worn the years well. The only pictures on the mantle are of her and her long dead husband.

START →

CREWS

Thank you for seeing me, Mrs. Dunn.

THE WIDOW DUNN

Of course. You said you were looking into Jimmy's death?

CREWS

The police report says his gun discharged when he was cleaning it?

THE WIDOW DUNN

That was just for the pension, you know? If it had said... the other, there would have been no pension.

CREWS

I understand...

THE WIDOW DUNN

But everyone knew what it meant. At the funeral all the cops knew...

(beat then)

The force went over this years ago. Why come around and ask this now?

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From his pocket, Crews takes a copy of the NEWSPAPER PHOTO.

CREWS  
Do you remember these men?

She looks at the photo for A MOMENT TOO LONG then...

THE WIDOW DUNN  
No... I don't. I'm afraid I don't  
remember much about that day.

Crews looks at all the photos of OFFICER DUNN on the mantle.

CREWS  
You must have loved him very much.

THE WIDOW DUNN  
I still do.

CREWS  
(re: her wedding band)  
That ring you wear...

THE WIDOW DUNN  
It's the one Jimmy gave me.

She looks at Crews, then at the photo, then...

THE WIDOW DUNN (CONT'D)  
I don't think I can be much of a  
help to you, Detective. But I want  
to thank you for coming by.

END

~~Just then, the doorbell rings. Mrs. Dunn gets up and answers  
it. There is A POSSE OF LITTLE KIDS IN ALL MANNER OF COSTUMES.~~

~~LITTLE KIDS IN COSTUME  
...Happy Halloween!!!~~

~~Crews watches Mrs. Dunn hand candy to the kids, the SUN IS  
JUST GOING DOWN OUTSIDE IN L.A. and we SMASH CUT TO:~~

~~3 EXT. LAWSON TOW/REECKING YARD - HALLOWEEN NIGHT 1~~

~~Crews looks at the hellish war graveyard. Barking dogs. Fires  
in metal cans, toxin-laced smoke, stacks of crushed, twisted  
metal. In the midst of this...~~

~~Eight adults stand around in the fake scary-gory trappings of  
Halloween: Freddy Kruger claws, hockey masks, ghouls... REESE  
comes up out fire-lit night and says...~~

~~REESE  
Trick or treat?~~

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~~CAPTAIN TIDWELL~~

~~There really is a Bethany? I have  
to rethink a lot of things now...~~

~~Crews looks into the bullpen and SEES the Widow Dunn.~~

33 INT. POLICE STATION - BULLPEN - DAY

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Crews walks up to the Mrs. Dunn. She looks a little lost.

**START**

CREWS

Mrs. Dunn? You looking for me.

THE WIDOW DUNN

(a whisper)

He wasn't cleaning his gun,  
Detective Crews.

CREWS

But it wasn't the other, was it?

THE WIDOW DUNN

(sad and proud)

Jimmy swore he'd never leave me. So  
I don't see how it could have been.

From her pocket, she takes out a worn newspaper clipping. It  
is the same one Crews showed her. Jack Reese and the other  
men standing around her at her husband's funeral. She points  
to the man whose face can be seen and says...

THE WIDOW DUNN (CONT'D)

His name is Anderson McCullers. I  
don't know these other men, but  
this one, Anderson McCullers.

**END**

~~The Widow Dunn turns and heads to the elevators. Leaving  
Crews alone with that photo. Crews alone with that photo.~~

~~REESE (O.S.)~~

~~Crews?~~

~~He turns to see Reese coming toward him, file in her hand.~~

~~REESE (CONT'D)~~

~~Tests on that bloody rag we found  
at Rob Dow's house are back.~~

34 INT. POLICE STATION - INTERROGATION ROOM - DAY

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~~Crews, Reese and Rob Dow. This time Dow has a lawyer present.~~

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