Lee

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m LEE}$ 

Yeah! That's all you been doin' lately. I can't even get a beer without you sayin' somethin'!!

SARAH

Maybe if I mag long enough, you'll get a job!!

LEE

All right now, don't make me lose my temper. I don't wanna have to go upside your big, ugly head!!

SARAH

You know what you <u>and</u> your temper can do for me! And right now wouldn't be too soon!

She storms out before he can retort. The front door SLAMS.

INT. MONTGOMERY HOUSE - LIVING ROOM - SECONDS LATER

Carrie Lee and Joey sheepishly enter. Timidly, they come stand by Lee and stare at him for a moment. Carrie Lee breaks the silence.

CARRIE LEE

What's wrong with mama?

LEE

She's still upset over your sister's death. She'll come 'round to her ole self in a minute.

JOEY

How come you're not upset, Daddy?

LEE

I'm upset; I just don't show it. Men hide things on the inside, but a woman can't. That's the way the good Lord made 'em.

CARRIE LEE

I miss Janet somethin' awful! I keep thinkin' I'll see her walkin' down the street or somethin'.

JOEY

(trying to sound excited)
Daddy, me and Carrie Lee went to
Children's World last night!

CARRIE LEE

Yeah! It was so nice, I didn't wanna come back.

JOEY

There was no yellin' and arguin'.

CARRIE LEE

Or somebody gettin' murdered.

LEE

Would you get your daddy another beer, Carrie Lee? I'm too tired to move.

CARRIE LEE

Why you so tired, Daddy? You don't do nothin' but watch TV all day.

LEE

Okay, that's enough of that smart talk. Now move your little ass before you get knocked down!

Carrie Lee fights back tears and dashes out. Solemnly, Joey studies Lee for a moment then blurts out:

JOEY

I don't like you no more!!

He runs out and SLAMS the front door.

EXT. SHIGETOMI'S DRY CLEANERS - NIGHT

Sam locks up... Just as he pulls the gate across the front of the store, two cars with The Jades, stops alongside.

They PELT the front with eggs, spoiled tomatoes and paint bombs. Sam, Alexis and Bridget try to shield themselves and ward off the debris...

JADES' CARS

A JADE GUY and a JADE GIRL hang out the passenger windows of one of the cars:

JADE GUY

Now clean that!!

JADE GIRL

And have it ready by noon tomorrow!

They speed away, hysterically laughing...

**END**