



THE SNOW FALLS
ENDLESSLY IN WONDERLAND

THE THIRD ARC BY CHRIS
CONDON AND JACOB PHILLIPS

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WELCOME BACK TO AMBROSE COUNTY, TEXAS

1992.

A lot can happen in ten years.

In 1981, Sheriff Sam Cooper and Deputies Sam Wilson and Joe Bob Coates battled a murderous cult on a secluded ranch with the help of 'weird' Private Investigator Harlan Eversaul. After the cult's criminal activities were brought to a violent close, it seemed as though the county's penchant for dark and sordid happenings had cooled off.

Until 1988, that is. Sheriff Sam's estranged brother, Walt, shot Sam dead in broad daylight at the annual town-wide July 4th celebration. Since then, Joe Bob has been the acting sheriff and is now running for the position.

But the opposition has a sick card to play. Having acquired a tape of the shooting, the opposing candidate 'King' Benchley utilizes a freeze-frame of Joe Bob during that fateful encounter for their political gain, labeling him a "man of inaction."

Meanwhile, a once-in-fifty-years snow storm is barreling down on the county, ensuring white out conditions and the possible and probable loss of power. Joe Bob and his small team of deputies work hard to ensure that the county is taking the necessary precautions to stay safe in an uncertain situation.

It is soon discovered, though, that this snow storm isn't the only incoming threat. A body is found as the first snowflakes begin to fall, along with a calling card that indicates that this was not merely a one-off murder but the calculated work of a known serial killer; The RQK, also known as **The Red Queen Killer**.

This is **The Snow Falls Endlessly in Wonderland**, the third arc of **THAT TEXAS BLOOD**.



EL PASO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT -- PHONE TRANSCRIPT

Transcript of Call For Service

10/17/87 - 1:05 AM

OP: Emily Stockwell, El Paso 911 Operator

UM: Unidentified Male

OP: 911: This call is being recorded. Where is your emergency?

UM: This is the killer (muffled sounds, heavy breathing). I killed her. Rose. Rose (unidentifiable). I...did it.

OP: What's your name, sir?

UM: Name? My name is... (heavy breathing) Death.

OP: Okay. What is your real name, sir?

UM: You'll find her in her home. She looks so...beautiful. Now.

OP: Sir, where is this home?

UM: She could tell you but she's lost her head.

OP: Sir, where are you located?

UM: You'll find me under the bed. Under the stairs.

OP: Sir, where are you located?

UM: I am in the shadows. And I'll kill again.

(END TRANSCRIPT)

SHERIFF JOSEPH R. COATES: Known around Ambrose County simply as "Joe Bob," Sheriff Coates assumed the role of Sheriff in July of 1988 when his predecessor, Sam Cooper was gunned down in cold blood by his brother, Walt. Since that time, Sheriff Coates has been the acting sheriff and is running to be elected for the position for the first time in March of 1992. He is fair and just though conflicted about his love of the place he calls home and the evil it continues to generate.



LUCINDA "LU" GORMAN: Lu has been with the sheriff's office in Ambrose County since 1979 where she quickly cemented herself as an integral member of the staff. Though childless herself, she helped raise Patti Doyle after Patti's mother, Shirley, fell ill.



DEPUTY WILSON HART: Often jokingly referred to as the "heart" of the sheriff's office, Wilson Hart has been Sheriff Coates' right hand man since grade school. When times get tough, Sheriff Coates turns to Wilson for answers - and Wilson is more than happy to give them.



PATRICIA "PATTI" DOYLE: Ambrose Countian Patti Doyle studied out of state at UCLA Law. She was subsequently offered a position at a prestigious firm in Los Angeles, though she politely declined, citing her desire to work for the people of her home state. Following graduation, Patti moved back to Ambrose County into a small house rented to her by her father's friend, Edgar Willows.



CHARLES "KING" BENCHLEY: Known throughout the region as the affable "West Texas Above Ground Pool King," Benchley has made a name for himself in darker circles as "King" - an unfortunate tribute to his obsession with Elvis Presley. Over several years, Benchley has quietly taken over much of the West Texas drug trade with an eye to extending his reach further in the days to come.



THE RED QUEEN KILLER OR RQK: UNKNOWN

January 5th, 1992





