

Giovanni and Alexander on the Road to Valhalla

Giovanni and Alexander are hiding behind sandbags in Iraq surrounded by enemies.

There is no way that they will be able to make it out alive. Alexander says to Giovanni, "I will rush them and put down cover fire while you run for the boat." Giovanni said, "No, we have to stick together and fight or run together!" This was supposed to be both of the brothers' last deployment before they got out of the Marine Corps after serving twenty years. Giovanni is the older brother. He was shorter than Alexander but built like a tank. Alexander is the younger brother but taller and not as bulky. Both of the brothers ranked up at the same time, but by the time their enlistment was over Giovanni was a Sergeant Major and Alexander was a Master Gunnery Sergeant. Giovanni looks at his brother Alexander as he sticks his head up to see where the enemies are. As he watched Alexander stick his head up, he sees his brother's head blow up from getting sniped in the head. Giovanni wakes up in a panic from his horrible dream gasping for air.

He rushes to Alexander's room to make sure that he is okay. When he opens the door to his brothers' room, he sees him moving and sweating a lot in his sleep. Alexander screaming "Run Giovanni! Don't look back! Don't give up!" Giovanni busted through the door and waked Alexander up he says "Gio wake up! It's just a dream! You're safe!" Alexander reaches under his pillow and grabs the Glock 19 and points it at Giovanni as he wakes up. Giovanni says, "It's me, Alex, relax you were just having a dream." Alexander puts the gun down and says "Sorry". They sit there and talk about their last deployment before they got out. They explain to each other that they can't stop thinking about it and how lucky they are. During their last deployment, they both were pinned down like in Giovanni's dream. When they had no other choice, they decided to make a run for it. They shot behind them and ran for the boat. Both of them were shot multiple

times before they made it to the boat. Giovanni was shot five times but in spots that didn't have too much of an impact like Alexander's. Alexander got shot three times but in major organs and one in the head. Once they got to the boat Alexander had dropped after his adrenaline wore off and ended up dying. Once they got back to their base, they were able to bring Alexander back. After all that their time in the Marine Corps was finally done with. They both moved back to their hometown in Arizona. They moved into their old home because both of their parents died in weird accidents. After they talked about their last deployment, they went out in town to get breakfast.

They both walked into the restaurant and they noticed something was off. There were a lot of new people that they didn't know or recognize. They are from a small town in Arizona that doesn't have more than seven hundred people. They walked in and sat down as the people that they didn't know stared at them. The waitress came up to them and it was Alexander's old girlfriend back when they were in high school. He said to her "Who are all these new people? I don't know any of them and they don't give off a friendly vibe." Vanessa the waitress said, "A lot has changed since you guys have been gone and we need to talk on the down-low." Alexander and Giovanni can tell that Vanessa was scared and they weren't going to put up with it. They both stood up and walked up to the group of people that were staring at them and said "You got a problem with us? Why do you keep staring at us? This is our hometown so get lost." The group of people kept staring and didn't say anything. They all stood up and walked out. As they were walking out Giovanni and Alexander shoulder bumped them and noticed something crazy. The people were super cold, and it was the middle of summer. Alexander and Giovanni sat back down and talked about what they felt. Thinking about how someone's body temperature could be

that low and cold. Vanessa brought the food and said, "Meet me at my place around nine o'clock tonight after I get off work."

Giovanni and Alexander finished up their breakfast and went walking around the town to meet up with some old folks that they grew up around. Their first stop was going to be their barber who cut their hair since they were kids. They both walked into the shop and said hey to Cory their barber. He looked back at them with a straight face and didn't say anything. Giovanni said "Hey it's us Gio and Alexander? You used to cut our hair when we were kids until we left for the military?" Cory said, "I don't remember sorry, please sit down if you want a haircut." Giovanni and Alexander looked at each other and walked out of the barbershop. Giovanni said to Alexander "Dude what is going on in this town? People that knew us since we were kids don't even remember who we are." Alexander didn't say anything as they walked down the street. Alexander stops and stares at a window that is outside of a store. Giovanni stopped walking, looked back at him and said, "Why are you stopping." Then Giovanni sees that about twenty to forty people were missing in their hometown. Alexander said, "Dude something is not right, we need to figure out what is going on." Giovanni said, "We will meet with Vanessa and see if she knows anything." They both thought about their training in the military and said at the same time "Maybe we should keep an eye on the only lead we have Vanessa."

They sit in their dad's 1994 Impala SS car outside of the restaurant, keeping an eye out on Vanessa. Later that day, Vanessa leaves her work and walks down the street to the parking lot where her car is located. As she walks Alexander notices the people that they didn't know at the restaurant were following her. They chased her into an alleyway and Giovanni and Alexander got out of their car and chased them down and said "Hey punks! Leave her alone!" The group of guys all turn around and growled. Their teeth were all sharp and at a point. Giovanni said, "They

are vampires Alexander!" Both of them started to shoot them but it didn't work, the group of guys started to fight Alexander and Giovanni. Vanessa yelled, "Shoot them in the head or cut their heads off!" Giovanni shot one in the head that was on top of him as Alexander found a pipe and cracked one over the head and killed him. The rest tried to run at Giovanni, but Alexander started shooting them in the head. Giovanni looked at Vanessa and said, "What the heck is going on!" Vanessa cries and says, "There are monsters that are in the works of taking over our town." Giovanni and Alexander at the same time said "Monsters! What do you mean Monsters?" Vanessa goes on to explain that multiple monsters are in their hometown: Vampires, Shape-shifters, and werewolves. She explains how Vampires are killed by being shot in the head or by getting their head cut off. Werewolves are killed by being stabbed or shot in the heart. The shape-shifters are killed like any other human. Vanessa then says, "You guys, your parents were killed by these monsters, when they found out what they were they tried to fight and got killed." Giovanni and Alexander look at each other as they got teary-eyed. They both take off to their car as Vanessa chases them. She says, "Where are you guys going!" The two brothers open their trunk and say, "This ends tonight." There are multiple different guns and ammunition in the trunk of their car. Giovanni says to Vanessa, "Go get everyone you know that is still themselves and want to fight, tell them to meet us at our house."

The boys drive back home to get more gear for the night of fighting. The brothers are silent as they put their boots and bulletproof vests on. Alexander thinks about his parents and how they lost their lives. Giovanni thinking about his brother's safety and how he wasn't done protecting him. Vanessa comes back gassed and out of breath. "They are all dead everyone!" she says. Giovanni, Alexander, and Vanessa all get into the car and drive back into town. A group of about fifty people was in the middle of the street. They stop in the middle of the road and get out

with their car engine still rumbling. Giovanni yells "Get out of our town or we will kill you all." The group of monsters laughed, and all started walking down the street towards them. Giovanni and Alexander looked at each other and said, "One last time?" Both of them pull out two fully automatic light machine guns and start mowing down the monsters. They both stop shooting and some of the monsters get back up, so they start to rush in and take them down with assault rifles and handguns. Putting two in the chest and one in the head to ensure that they kill the different kinds of monsters.

Giovanni and Alexander fight, all bloody and scraped up they fight until the last monster is down. Then they look at each other and multiple bodies are surrounding them. They look down the road even further and see another group of monsters. They were low on ammo but still had multiple grenades that they didn't use. The group of monsters start to run towards them as they threw grenades at them and blow up groups of them at a time. There were only about five monsters left but two of the monsters looked very familiar. It was the brother's parents, they both stopped fighting and stared at them. They both said "Mom, Dad?" Vanessa came up from behind Alexander and screamed, "They're not your parents, kill them!" Giovanni felt something was off, he felt like they weren't monsters and they were actually his parents. His parents said, "It's us, we never died we just faked our death so we could hide out until you guys got back." Giovanni and Alexander smiled and cried of joy. BANG! BANG! Vanessa shoots Alexander in the back as he drops to the floor Giovanni screams "NO!" and jumps into his parents to push them behind a car for cover.

As Giovanni and his parents are hiding behind the car Vanessa says, "You really thought I was your friend?" The shape-shifter laughs. "I just wanted to live a life of whoever I wanted to be alone, but all these other monsters came and ruined my plan." The monster goes on to explain

how he needed to use the brothers to kill all the monsters so he can start over alone. Giovanni noticed a knife that was under the car that someone had dropped. He stands up and throws the knife. The shape-shifter Vanessa shoots him in the shoulder but then the knife he threw hits her right in the forehead and kills her. Giovanni gets up and runs to his brother Alexander as Alexander spits out blood. Giovanni cries "You're okay, get up please." Alexander looks back at him as he fades away and says, "Can't believe out of all those years I get killed by my ex." Alexander chuckles and says "Thank you" as he takes his last breath. Giovanni sits over his dead brothers' body as his parents approach him and tell him "Sorry about your brother." Giovanni thought to himself and realized his parents would have never been that calm. He does a barrel roll for the gun that the Shape-shifter dropped and shot both of his parents. As they dropped, they turned into the original shape-shifter form. Giovanni picks up his soulless brother's body, puts him in the back seat, and drives off into the night in their 1994 Impala SS.