Collective Obsessions Saga by Deidre Dalton

Cast of Characters

THE LARKIN FAMILY

Luke Castaneda, attorney and first husband of Megan Larkin.

Thomas (Tom) Cimarelli, editor of the *Manhattan Daily Journal*; husband of Angie Page.

Finley Cooper, son of Petra Fortescue-Pemberton and second husband of Megan Larkin.

Kerry Larkin Cooper, daughter of Megan Larkin & Finley Cooper.

Sascha Larkin Cooper, daughter of Megan Larkin & Finley Cooper.

Lizbetta "Lizza" Darcy, wife of Gabriel Page (2022).

Petra Fortescue-Pemberton, Sommelier for Larkin Winery, second wife of Liam Larkin.

Bridget Gallagher, girlfriend of Brose Larkin, mother of Tara Larkin.

Andrew (Andy) Gilyard, KXLC meteorologist, Diana Larkin's husband.

Colin Larkin Gilyard, son of Diana Larkin & Andrew Gilyard.

Ambrose (Brose) Larkin, son of Sean Larkin.

Anne Larkin, wife of patriarch John Larkin.

Brian Larkin, great-grandson of patriarch John Larkin.

Colleen McGarren Larkin, wife of Patrick Larkin.

Daitaro (Kaito) Larkin, son of Kevin Larkin & Mariko Woods; twin to Daijiro.

Daijiro (Dary) Larkin, son of Kevin Larkin & Mariko Woods; twin to Daitaro.

Dana Maitland Larkin, Shannon Larkin's best friend and wife of Sean Larkin.

Denise O'Toole Larkin, wife of Rory Larkin.

Derek Larkin, son of Sean & Dana Larkin; twin to Diana Larkin.

Diana Larkin, daughter of Sean & Dana Larkin; twin to Derek Larkin.

Virginia "Ginny" Hershey Larkin, wife of Derek Larkin.

John Larkin, founder of Larkin City and family patriarch.

Kevin Larkin, son of Rory & Denise Larkin; older brother of Liam.

Liam Larkin, son of Rory & Denise Larkin; younger brother of Kevin.

Lillian (Lily) Larkin, daughter of Derek & Ginny Larkin.

Mariko Woods Larkin, wife of Kevin Larkin, mother to twins Daitaro & Daiiiro.

Mary Labrecque Larkin, wife of Brian Larkin and mother of twins Shannon & Sean.

Mary Margaret (Molly) Larkin, daughter of patriarch John Larkin.

Megan Larkin, daughter of Liam Larkin & Carly O'Reilly.

Patrick Larkin, son of Roddy Larkin, father to Brian & Rory.

Roderick (Roddy) Larkin, son of patriarch John Larkin.

Rory Larkin, great-grandson of patriarch John Larkin.

Sascha McShane Larkin, wife of Roddy Larkin.

Sean Larkin, son of Brain & Mary Larkin; twin of Shannon.

Shannon Larkin, daughter of Brain & Mary Larkin; twin of Sean.

Tara Larkin, daughter of Brose Larkin and Bridget Gallagher-Larkin.

Declan O'Larkin; stillborn son of John & Anne Larkin, buried in Ireland (1857).

Grace O'Larkin, aunt to patriarch John Larkin.

Angela (Angie) Page, daughter of Scott Page & Shannon Larkin.

Gabriel (Gabe) Page, son of Jamie Page and Désirée Sansovino.

James (Jamie) Page, son of Scott Page & Shannon Larkin.

Scott Page, husband of Shannon Larkin.

Siobhán Page, daughter of Gabe and Lizbetta Page. **Síofra Page**, daughter of Gabe and Lizbetta Page.

THE SULLIVAN FAMILY

Carly O'Reilly, illegitimate daughter of George Sullivan & Susan O'Reilly.

Aidan Sullivan, priest, son of Colm Sullivan and Maureen Kelly.

Colm Sullivan, Lighthouse Keeper & lover of Molly Larkin.

George Sullivan (aka Ben Webb), great-grandson of Colm Sullivan.

Jean-Claude Sullivan, grandson of Colm Sullivan and father to George.

Jennifer O'Connor Sullivan, wife of Jean-Claude and mother to George.

John (Johnny) Sullivan, twin to Mick Sullivan.

Layla (Barton-Brooks) Sullivan, wife of Mick Sullivan and mother to Jean-Claude Sullivan.

Linda Bisiker Sullivan, wife to George and mother of Michael and Sara Sullivan.

Maureen Kelly Sullivan, wife of Colm Sullivan and mother to Father Aidan.

Mick Sullivan, son of Colm Sullivan and father to Jean-Claude Sullivan.

Michael (Mike) Sullivan, son of George and Linda Sullivan.

Sara Sullivan, daughter of George (Ben Webb) and Linda Sullivan.

Ben Webb (aka George Sullivan), great-grandson of Colm Sullivan.

OTHER FAMILY

Marianne Chamberlain, first wife of Sean Larkin; mother of Brose Larkin.

Vittorio (Vito) Cimarelli, father of Tom Cimarelli.

Phoebe McGarren, sister of Colleen Larkin.

Elliot McShane, NYC newspaper publisher and father to Sascha Larkin.

Dary O'Ouinn, father of Anne Larkin.

Maeve O'Quinn, younger sister of Anne Larkin.

Carol O'Reilly; Susan O'Reilly's mother, Carly O'Reilly's grandmother.

Samuel O'Reilly; Susan O'Reilly's father, Carly O'Reilly's grandfather.

Susan O'Reilly, lover of George Sullivan & mother to Carly O'Reilly.

Alexandra St. John, daughter of Andrea St. John & Scott Page, adopted by Angie Page.

Adelina Sansovino, mother of Tony, Jack and Désirée Sansovino.

Antonio (Tony) Sansovino, Jack Sansovino's older brother.

Desideria (Désirée) Sansovino, Jack Sansovino's younger sister, Jamie Pages wife.

Mario Sansovino, father of Tony, Jack and Désirée Sansovino.

Leo Woods, father of Mariko Woods Larkin (1937-2020).

Sachiko Fujiwara Woods, mother of Mariko Woods Larkin.

LARKIN MANSION STAFF

Clea Barton-Brooks, head maid (worked 1873-1914).

Nigel Barton-Brooks, butler (worked 1871-1930).

Nicholas Bertrand, family chef (worked 1926-1947); lover to Colleen Larkin.

Daniel Borelli, carriage driver (1880).

Karen Caldwell (former COVID nurse; went on to care for Sachiko Woods).

Claire Colby, Phoebe McGarren's caretaker; sister to Amber Whale night manager Martin Colby.

Eddie Gavin, assistant groundskeeper at the Larkin Estate (2017-2022).

Armand Grenadier, family chef (worked 2021-present).

Cora Ann Hogan, family chef (worked 2002-2003); grandmother of Alexandra St. John.

Mae Jensen, family chef (worked 1951-1989).

Maureen Kelly, Molly Larkin's maid and Colm Sullivan's wife.

Bridget Maloney, nanny to Kevin and Liam Larkin (worked 1945-1964).

Claude Mondoux, beloved family chef (worked 1875-1936).

Larisa Reyes (former COVID nurse; went on to care for Adelina Sansovino & Sachiko Woods).

Christian Satterfield (former COVID nurse; went on to care for Adelina Sansovino).

Bertrice (Berty) Soames, former waitress/Bruno's Café; family chef (worked 2015-2021).

FRIENDS & LOVERS

Kyle Adkins, OR tech at Larkin Animal Clinic (Jamie Pages lover and later husband).

Kipling Kip Bathers, real estate agent and friend of Megan Larkin.

Mason Berger, reporter for the *Larkin Gazette* & lover of Jean-Claude Sullivan.

Lizbeth Bisiker, owner of Amber Whale Tavern & mistress of John Larkin.

David Bonham, friend of Shannon Larkin, murdered by Mike Sullivan (1970).

Mia Bouchard, Jack Sansovino's lover in St. Catharines (Ontario).

Oliver Cooper, ex-husband of Petra Fortescue-Pemberton, father of Finley.

Lizbetta "Lizza" Darcy, close friend of Gabriel Page (later his wife).

Joe Dobson, fifth husband of Marianne Chamberlain.

Lee Gunther, English professor at LCU; close friend of Shannon Larkin.

Steve Halloway, Sara Sullivan's third husband, owner of *Knightshades* bike shop.

Anita Howard, fashion designer and former lover of Scott Page.

Elena Quiroz, former girlfriend of Brose Larkin.

Jacopo (Jack) Sansovino, sous chef; Carly O'Reilly's rapist; lover to Jamie Page.

Suki Sutton Shimada, boss and friend of Alexandra St. John Cimarelli.

LARKIN CITY CHARACTERS

Melinda Jensen Allen, legal secretary and daughter of Larkin family cook Mae Jensen.

Patricia Alvarez, nurse at St. Patrick's Hospital.

David Azoulay, Jewish merchant (Azoulay Gems on harbor), also Mayor.

Deborah Azoulay, daughter of David & Lydia, runs *Azoulay Gems*.

Lydia Azoulay, owner of *Azoulay Cleaners* on Main Street; wife of David Azoulay.

Rachel Azoulav, daughter of David & Lydia, victim of serial killer.

Jameson Balsam, LCPD detective (worked 1945-1969).

Mark Balsam, LCPD detective (worked 1969-1996), son of Jameson, retired (1996).

Julian Bathers, Larkin City medical examiner (1920-1959).

Kipling (Kip) Bathers, real estate agent and friend of Megan Larkin.

Kristoffer (Kit) Bathers, mortgage loan officer, Kip Bather's father, mayoral contender.

Lynn Bennett, architectural firm Bennett Blueprints, works for Jamie, Luke & Megan.

Mason Berger, reporter for the *Larkin Gazette* & lover of Jean-Claude Sullivan.

Adam Bisiker, pub owner and son of Lizbeth Bisiker.

Lizbeth Bisiker, owner of Amber Whale Tavern & mistress of John Larkin.

Nicholas (Nick) Brooks, station manager at KXLC.

Thomas Callahan, sheriff of Larkin Village (*The Advent*).

Carolyn (Caro) Clyde, secretary to Larkin City attorney John Milkenson.

Claire Colby, Phoebe McGarren's caretaker in old age, sister to Martin Colby.

Janey Colby, kitchen maid at Amber Whale, granddaughter of Martin Colby.

Martin Colby, night manager at Amber Whale Tavern, brother to Claire Colby.

Paul Collins, Captain of Larkin City Police Department (1979-2019).

Celeste Corcoran, office manager at Amber Whale (*Hearts Desires*).

Kelly Davis, dress shop owner, later operates the *Nook & Cranny* in Larkin City.

Teresa Davis, took over Phoebes Boutique.

Curtis Day, assistant to Detective Lyle Gould (LCPD).

Mavis Donnelly, stationary store employee (The Keepers Journal).

Erik Fowler, judge presiding over Sean Larkin's divorce from Marianne Chamberlain.

Chrissie Fox, intern at KXLC, Diana Larkin's assistant, victim of serial killer.

Gerald Frazier, Larkin family attorney (*Quixotic Crossings*).

Edwin Gallontine, editor of the *Larkin Gazette* (*Quixotic Crossings*).

Lyle Gould, police officer at LCPD, later promoted to Detective and Chief (2019).

Justin (Boyo) Grady, LCU football player, friend of Derek and Diana Larkin.

Dale Grainger, Larkin City Coroner (1959-2011).

Armand Grenadier, Larkin family chef (worked 2021-present).

Jerome Hadley, President of Larkin City University, 2020-present (*Limb of Iniquity*).

Kelvin Hearn, priest at St. Patrick's Church, buries John Larkin (*Quixotic Crossings*).

Shelley Hove, Larkin City district attorney (*The Keeper's Journal*).

Daniel Hunter, priest at St. Patrick's Church in Larkin City (buries Phoebe McGarren).

Samuel Jurgen, Larkin City attorney, represents Andrea St. John (*The Twilight*).

Katie Kirk, KXLC news anchor, victim of serial killer.

Peg Landry, Scott Page's secretary at Larkin Mines.

Padriac Mahoney, Catholic priest (St. Patrick's), marries Shannon Larkin & Scott Page.

Miriam Maitland, Dana Larkin's mother (The Twain Shall Meet).

Seth Markham, airplane pilot (*The Keeper's Journal*).

Deacon (Deke) Marshall, guardian ad litem for Alexandra St. John (The Twilight).

Hyrum Mason, groundskeeper at Larkin City Cemetery.

Kerry Matheson, Megan Larkin's assistant, victim of serial killer.

Jacob (Jake) McDonald, Larkin City Coroner (2011-present).

Ainslie McFadden, owner of the Wee Book Shop in Larkin City.

Alasdair McFadden, Ainslie's grandfather.

Angus McFadden, opened the *Wee Book Shop* in 1890.

Rory McGarren, doctor and father of Phoebe McGarren & Colleen Larkin.

Richard Miles, second husband of Linda Bisiker Sullivan.

John Milkenson, Carly O'Reilly's attorney.

Nathaniel Mintz, Bridget Gallagher's obstetrician.

Peter Naughton, Shannon Larkin's attorney, later Mayor.

Martin Neeson, priest at St. Patrick's Church in Larkin City (during *The Advent*).

Ryan Nichols, district judge in Larkin City; presides over St. John case.

Kay O'Neill, assistant to Megan Larkin after Kerry Matheson's murder.

Kathy Overstreet, nurse at Larkin Animal Clinic, former flame of Kevin Larkin.

William (Willie) Perpetty, landlord of duplex at 212 Blue Harbor Lane.

Mark Petrie, executive chef at Harbor View Catering.

Malcolm Riddle, President of Larkin City University, 1996-2019 (Hearts Desires).

Julie Rooney, receptionist at Harbor View Catering.

Catharine Rountrup, secretary for Clamshell Employment Agency.

Andrea St. John, Scott Page's lover, mother of Alexandra.

Bertrice (Berty) Soames, senior waitress at Bruno's Café and later chef at Larkin mansion.

Basil Tunstall, butcher at Larkin Grocery Store (*The Advent*).

Niles Wharritt, doctor and fiancé of Phoebe McGarren.

Robert Wilbourn, Carly O'Reilly's doctor during pregnancy (*Enthrallment*).

Percival Wilson, clerk at the *Larkin Gazette* (*Quixotic Crossings*).

John Young, friend of Mike Sullivan; dated Dana Maitland.

LARKIN CITY MAYORS

Edwin Aldridge (R, 1980-1992, during *Enthrallment*, wife Maya).

David Azoulay (D, 1996-2012, during *Hearts Desires, The Twilight, Megan's Legacy*, wife Lydia).

Kipling "Kip" Bathers (D, 2024-present).

Raymond Breck (D, 1928-1940, during Quixotic Crossings).

James Bretherton (R, 1880-1888, during *The Advent*).

Earl Eugene (D, 1948-1960, during *Quixotic Crossings*).

Callum McFadden (D, 1888-1900, during *The Advent*).

Eduardo Mendes (D, 1992-1996; during *Enthrallment*, *The Keeper's Journal & Hearts Desires*).

Peter Naughton (D, 2012-2024, during *Limb of Iniquity*, also former Larkin attorney; wife: Olivia).

Jackson Oliver (D. 1968-1980, during *The Twain Shall Meet & Enthrallment*).

Joseph Penney (D, 1900-1908, during *The Advent*).

Walter Rigby (D, 1908-1920, during The Advent).

Clarence Southwick (R, 1920-1928, during *Quixotic Crossings*, wife Abigail).

Elmer Todd (R, 1960-1968, during *The Twain Shall Meet*).

William Wells (R, 1940-1948, during *Quixotic Crossings*).

LARKIN CITY PRIESTS

Father Kelvin Hearn, St. Patrick's Church (*Quixotic Crossings*).

Father Daniel Hunter, St. Patrick's Church (*Enthrallment*, *The Keeper's Journal*, *Hearts Desires*, *The Twilight & Megan's Legacy*).

Father Padriac Mahoney, St. Patrick's Church (The Twain Shall Meet).

Father Martin Neeson, St. Patrick's Church (*The Advent*).

Father Edward Shay, St. Patrick's Church (*Limb of Iniquity*).

LARKIN FAMILY CHEFS

Nicholas Bertrand, family chef (worked 1926-1947); lover to Colleen Larkin; 21 years.

Armand Grenadier, family chef (worked 2021-present).

Cora Ann Hogan, family chef (worked 2002-2003); grandmother of Alexandra St. John.

Mae Jensen, family chef (worked 1951-1989); 38 years.

Claude Mondoux, beloved family chef (worked 1875-1936); 61 years.

Bertrice (Berty) Soames, former waitress/Bruno's Café; family chef (worked 2015-2021).

BANSHEE POINT HOTEL (COVID STAFF)

Karen Caldwell (nurse)

Eddie Gavin (Banshee Point Hotel & golf course groundskeeper)

Rowena Havles (nurse)

Carl Milltown (*doctor*)

Larisa Reyes (nurse)

Jorge Rivas (doctor)

Christian Satterfield (nurse)

Anna Valeria (doctor)

BOSTON

Allison Benney, Boston TV news reporter; dated Luke Castaneda.

Mark Marsala, attorney friend of Luke Castaneda.

Sam Molson, security guard at Moakley Courthouse.

NEW YORK CITY

Brad Fisher, sports writer for the *Manhattan Daily Journal*. **Lynn Masters**, secretary to Tom Cimarelli at the *Manhattan Daily Journal*. Kari Scott, reporter at the Manhattan Daily Journal. **Suki Sutton Shimada** (*Alexandra St. Johns boss, sometimes-lover*). **Earl Smith**, doorman in Manhattan where Shannon Larkin owns a flat.

BANGOR, MAINE

Walter Hill, janitor at Bangor Mental Hospital, befriends Mike Sullivan. **Glenn Wallin**, friend of David Bonham (*The Twain Shall Meet*). **Melody Weiss**, former girlfriend of David Bonham (*The Twain Shall Meet*).

IRELAND Neve Egan, draftswoman at Larkin Mines in Dublin (*The Twain Shall Meet*). **Ned Fallon**, bartender at McDowell's Pub in Dublin (*The Twain Shall Meet*). **Erin Feenv**, housekeeper at Castletownbere cottage (*The Twilight*). **Doctor Eamon Hanlon**, doctor in Bantry, Ireland (*Hearts in Sorrow*). **Brian Laverty**, Larkin Mines crew chief (*The Twain Shall Meet & The Twilight*). **Father Myles McSweeney**, St. Mary's Church, Castletownbere, Ireland (*Hearts in Sorrow*). **Father Martin O'Driscoll**, St. Finbarr's Church, Bantry, Ireland (*Hearts in Sorrow*). **Anne O'Quinn**, John Larkin's wife (*Hearts in Sorrow & The Advent*). **Dary O'Quinn**, blacksmith & father-in-law to John Larkin (*Hearts in Sorrow & The Advent*). **Maeve O'Quinn**, John Larkin's first love and daughter of Dary O'Quinn (*Hearts in Sorrow*). **Brendan Ryan**, fisherman, bootlegger & friend to John Larkin (*Hearts in Sorrow*). Lorna Ryan, seamstress & friend to Anne O'Quinn (Hearts in Sorrow).

ABOUT THE COLLECTIVE OBSESSIONS SAGA

Deidre Dalton (*aka Deborah O'Toole*) is author of the ten-part "Collective Obsessions Saga," chronicling the extraordinary loves and intricate obsessions between two families sweeping a span of more than 165 years, most of which are set against the backdrop of a Gothic seaside mansion in Maine.

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- **Hearts in Sorrow** (prequel)
- **❖** The Advent
- Quixotic Crossings
- **❖** The Twain Shall Meet
- ***** Enthrallment
- **❖** The Keeper's Journal
- ***** Hearts Desires
- **❖** The Twilight
- **❖** Megan's Legacy
- Limb of Iniquity



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