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I watched Jesus die from a nearby cross - and came to believe in Him while He died. I was forgiven of my sins and got to see Jesus in paradise a short time later. (Luke 23:39-43)

At least two other women who shared my name were with me at the foot of the cross. (John 19:25)

I was surprised when people told me that Jesus had already died. It happened faster than normal, which led me to ask for a second opinion, just to make sure that He was really dead. (Mark 15:44-45)

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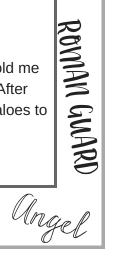
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A CRIMINAL (OR MALEFACTOR)

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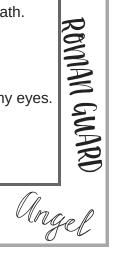
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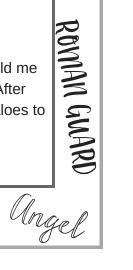
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