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Friendship Lesson: Just because someone is gone doesn't mean they don't live on in our memories.

TEASER

Sc. 1 - EXT. PONYVILLE MARKET - DAY

As Apple Bloom approaches the market, she notices a whole group of ponies have gathered around a new booth. Curious, she pushes her way through the crowd. She hears ponies murmuring: “He’s back! Grand Pear is back from Van Hoover! He said he needed a change of pace!” She reaches the booth. In it is GRAND PEAR. He’s a quiet, kindly older stallion. When he sees Apple Bloom, his face lights up in a smile. He hands her a sample scone with pear butter on it. Apple Bloom tries it. “Mmm, that is delicious, sir. Is that pear butter?” Grand Pear: “Yeeup.” Apple Bloom is taken aback for a second but before she can put two and two together, Grand Pear hands her a jar of pear butter. Apple Bloom: “How many bits?” He shakes his head and nudges the jar into her saddle bag. Apple Bloom: “Really? For me?” Grand Pear: “Yeeup!” Apple Bloom: “Wow thanks, mister!” With that, Apple Bloom happily trots off back toward Sweet Apple Acres.

Sc. 2 - INT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - KITCHEN - LATER

Apple Bloom enters to find APPLEJACK making flapjacks and BIG MAC at the kitchen table. AJ: “Welcome home, Sugarcube! We’re going to do breakfast for dinner!” Excited, Apple Bloom reaches into her saddlebag and says she has the perfect topper for the pancakes! She shows Applejack her jar of pear butter. Applejack’s eyes go wide: “You brought pear butter here?! What were you thinking? Quick, hide it.” Applejack throws a towel over the jar and Big Mac puts a bowl of apples in front of it. Off Apple Bloom’s confused face, we...END TEASER.

MAIN TITLES

ACT ONE

Sc. 3 - INT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - SAME

Applejack asks where Apple Bloom got the pear butter. Apple Bloom tells her she ran into Grand Pear. Applejack says she better not show Granny Smith the pear butter. She tells her that Apples and Pears have a long standing feud. Apple Bloom asks why? Applejack says she’s not quite sure. She asks Big Mac if he knows? “Noope.” Apple Bloom says they should just ask Granny. GRANNY SMITH enters the kitchen. “Ask me what?” Covering, Applejack: “Uh, what goes best with apple fritter flapjacks, caramel syrup or praline?” Granny says “praline” and says she’s gonna go wash up for supper. Once she’s gone, Applejack explains to Apple Bloom that anytime she and Big Mac brought up the feud Granny got so upset she couldn’t talk. They’d best not bring it up around Granny. Only now, her curiosity is piqued too. Applejack says if they want to know more, they can take a load of the new Gala apples up to the family historian Goldie Delicious tomorrow. If anypony knows about the feud, it’s her. Apple Bloom notices the interest on her big brother’s face and asks if he’d like to join them “Yeeup!”

Sc. 4 - INT. GOLDIE DELICIOUS CABIN - THE NEXT DAY

When the Apple siblings arrive, GOLDIE DELICIOUS gives them all big hugs. She’s so excited to see them until they ask about the feud. She asks them if they’re sure they want to hear this story. They tell

her they do, and so Goldie begins her tale. A long time ago, Sweet Apple Acres used to be half the size - the other half belonged to the Pears. In FLASHBACK we see...

Sc. 5 - EXT. PONYVILLE MARKET - FLASHBACK

Granny Smith and Grand Pear have booths right next to each other. Granny selling apples and Grand Pear selling pears. As a few ponies trot their way, Granny calls out “Nothing sweeter than biting into a crisp apple on a fall day!” Only to have Grand Pear counter with “Unless of course you could bite into a juicy pear!” Granny’s eyes narrow: “Apples are better!” Grand Pear: “Pears!” They glare at each other.

Sc. 6 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES/PEAR FARM - EVENING - FLASHBACK

In VO, Goldie Delicious goes on to explain they used to steal each other's' farming techniques. We see the line between the two properties, Grand Pear watches as Granny Smith reads books to her trees. Later that night, Granny Smith watches as Grand Pear covers his trees with blankets and reads bedtime stories to them. Then she covers her trees and blankets and sings them lullabies! As they again narrow their eyes at each other, Goldie Delicious goes on to explain that the only Apples and Pears who got along were Bright Mac and Pear Butter.

Sc. 7 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES/ PEAR FARM - DAY - FLASHBACK

Off to the side, we see two little foals (no cutie marks yet), BRIGHT MAC and PEAR BUTTER. Pear Butter is playing with the buttercup flowers that grow on the border of their two properties. Bright Mac tells her Granny taught him if you hold a buttercup under your chin it glows, but it doesn’t work on him. Pear Butter asks if it works on her? She puts her chin over the buttercups and her chin glows bright yellow. Bright Mac smiles: “It sure does, Buttercup!” AJ: “Wait a hog wogglin’ minute!!”

Sc. 8 - INT. GOLDIE DELICIOUS CABIN - BACK TO SCENE

Applejack: “Bright Mac and Buttercup? Those are our parents!” Goldie Delicious says that’s right. Their mom was a Pear! Off the Apple siblings shocked faces...

END ACT ONE

ACT TWO

Sc. 9 - INT. GOLDIE DELICIOUS CABIN - SAME

The Apple siblings are still in shock. They can’t believe they had no idea their mother was a Pear! Goldie says it makes sense that they didn’t, no one ever called her Pear Butter. Not since their dad started calling her Buttercup. “What else can you tell us?” Goldie Delicious tells them they should really talk to Burnt Oak, he was Bright Mac’s best friend.

Sc. 10 - EXT. PONYVILLE MARKET- FIREWOOD STAND - LATER

The Apple siblings find Burnt Oak. They introduce themselves. He says he can’t believe it’s been so long. The last time he talked to them Big Mac was barely more than a colt. They ask how he knew their father? Burnt Oak tells them he and Bright Mac were friends way back when they were colts. They used to get into all kinds of trouble together. In FLASHBACK we see...

Sc. 11 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - FLASHBACK

Teenage Bright Mac and Burnt Oak are racing carts on the field. Pear Butter is nearby, pulling weeds on her side of the property. Once Bright Mac sees her, he can't take his eyes off of her. So much so he doesn't notice when his racing cart gets out of control and careens into the water silo on the Pear's property. He hits it just as Pear Butter throws a large weed over her shoulder into the water silo. The silo falls to the ground. Water floods the sapling tree field. Grand Pear appears and looks angrily at his daughter. Believing it is her fault, Pear Butter looks apologetic and embarrassed. But then Bright Mac jumps in between her and her father. In VO, Burnt Oak explains Bright Mac could have let Pear Butter take the blame - nopony knew it was actually his fault. But Bright Mac was too honest to let her take the fall for him. Something Pear Butter never forgot.

Sc. 12 - EXT. PONYVILLE MARKET - FIREWOOD STAND - BACK TO SCENE

Hearing this, Apple Bloom nudges her sister. “That must be where you got it from.” Applejack has a big smile. Burnt Oak says Bright Mac had to work on the Pear Farm to make up for the damage he did. It was super honorable. But Bright Mac didn't seem to mind. It kept him really close to Pear Butter.

The Apple siblings ask about Pear Butter and Burnt Oak says he knew their mom loved their dad more than anything in the world. But if they really want to get the scoop, they should ask Mrs. Cake. “Mrs. Cake?” The Apple siblings ask. He tells them when they were fillies, Pear Butter and Mrs. Cake were inseparable!

Sc. 13 - INT. SUGARCUBE CORNER - LATER

When the Apple siblings arrive all together, Mrs. Cake looks at them as if she understands why they're there. Applejack: “Hi Mrs. Cake, I know this might be awkward to ask but, were you and our mom friends?” Mrs. Cake smiles, “Only the best kind.” She tells the Apple siblings that Pear Butter was the one who encouraged her to pursue baking! “It was like she knew what I was good at long before I did. I got my cutie mark after she asked me to make a cake for her!” Applejack nudges Apple Bloom: “Just like you, sugarcube!” FLASHBACK TO:

Sc. 14 - INT. SUGARCUBE CORNER - FLASHBACK

In VO, Mrs. Cake explains Pear Butter helped her perfect her recipes. We see teenage Pear Butter and Mrs. Cake stirring up batters and taste testing baked goods. Mrs. Cake says that Pear Butter helped her whenever she had a few spare hours. But mostly Pear Butter helped on her family's farm. One day, Mrs. Cake decided to surprise Pear Butter with her new caramel apple cake...

Sc. 15 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - FLASHBACK

Young Mrs. Cake walks up to the farm with a cake only to discover... Pear Butter and Bright Mac having a secret romantic picnic! It looks like they're having a great time. Pear Butter laughs as Bright Mac tries to pull a bouquet of buttercups out of nowhere, but botches the trick and buttercups spill everywhere. Young Mrs. Cake smiles to herself and backs out.

Sc. 16 - INT. SUGARCUBE CORNER - FLASHBACK

Mrs. Cake explains that when she asked Pear Butter about it, she told her the sweetest most romantic story Mrs. Cake had ever heard. There were so many things that she and Bright Mac had to do in secret because their families didn't get along. As Pear Butter dishes to a sighing Mrs. Cake, we see...

Sc. 17 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - DAY

Pear Butter and Bright Mac having their picnic, picking up where we left off. Pear Butter thanks Bright Mac for the buttercups and says she's got something for him too. She pulls out a guitar and starts singing a song. Underneath we see a MONTAGE of the romantic things they've done for each other.

Sc. 18 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES/PEAR FARM - NIGHT

As PB sings: *“We're far apart in every way, but you're the best part of my day...”* we see Pear Butter and Bright Mac signal each other through their windows.

Sc. 19 - EXT. APPLE/PEAR BORDER - NIGHT

PB and BM gaze at the stars as we hear more of the song: *“Sure as I breathe air, we're the perfect pair.”*

Sc. 20 - EXT. PONYVILLE MARKET - DAY

As Granny Smith and Grand Pear argue, Bright Mac sneaks silly faces at Pear Butter. Song: *“It's a prickly path that we've been through, but I sure feel like a winner even when I lose...”*

Sc. 21 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - MORNING

Pear Butter walks out, yawning, only to find all her weeds have been pulled! REVEAL Bright Mac fast asleep on the ground with a bucket full of weeds at his side. Pear Butter smiles at him tenderly as we hear: *“What we've got is true, 'cuz I'm in love with you...”*

Sc. 22 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - DAY

Back to Bright Mac and Pear Butter's picnic, where Bright Mac interrupts the song-- “What was that?” PB: “Shh. I'm in the middle of somethin', here.” But Bright Mac smiles big and says he was gonna tell her the same thing! PB: “Nah, you're just mad I beat you to it.” Bright Mac shakes his head and points to a tree, where sure enough their cutie marks are carved in a heart together. Pear Butter smiles and we hear Mrs. Cake say: “They couldn't have been more in love. Until...”

EXT. PEAR FARM - DAY

Grand Pear tells Pear Butter: “The Pears are moving!” Off of PB's shocked face, we...

END ACT TWO

ACT THREE

Sc. 23 - EXT. PEAR FARM - SAME

Pear Butter is still in shock as Grand Pear explains the Pears are moving to Van Hoover. PB: “But...but that's so far!!” Grand Pear says it's the best move for the family business. There's acres of untouched land and rich soil just waiting to be planted with pears! They'll get to expand their business, and they'll finally get away from these gosh darn Apples.

Mrs. Cake (V.O.) “Pear Butter was devastated. But if the Pears were moving, she had to move with them. Seeing no way out of it, she broke things off with Bright Mac.” We see a teary-eyed Bright Mac and Pear Butter part ways. Mrs. Cake (V.O.): “Then Bright Mac did the most romantic thing I’ve ever seen anypony do.”

Sc. 24 - INT. SUGARCUBE CORNER - BACK TO SCENE

The Apple siblings are rapt with attention. “What what???” Mrs. Cake says they’re gonna need one more pony to tell this story. CUT TO:

Sc. 25 - EXT. TOWN HALL - LATER

Mayor Mare, Mrs. Cake, and the Apple siblings are seated outside. Mayor Mare says she remembers exactly what happened...

Sc. 26 - EXT. APPLE ACRES/PEAR FARM BORDER - DUSK

Young Mayor Mare is walking to the farm. Bright Mac asked her to meet her at the Apple/Pear border the night before the Pear family was about to move. In VO, Mayor Mare says she had no idea what this was about, but by this time everypony knew about Bright Mac and Pear Butter’s romance, except for their parents. Everypony else could just see how much they cared for each other, and how much it hurt them to break up once the Pears decided to move.

We see Young Mayor Mare get to the Apple/Pear border and her eyes widen in surprise! The area is decked out with a pergola, some flowers, unlit candles, and tons and tons of buttercups. Bright Mac is down on one knee in front of Pear Butter. Young Mayor Mare catches Bright Mac telling Pear Butter he doesn’t want to be apart from her, ever. “I’m not sure what we’ll do but I’m sure of *us*. And I’m so sure that I’d marry you today, if I could.” PB: “I would too!” Young Mayor Mare comes out of hiding: “Well you’re in luck.” DISSOLVE TO:

Sc. 27 - EXT. APPLE ACRES/PEAR FARM BORDER - NIGHT

Young Mayor Mare officiating Bright Mac and Pear Butter’s secret wedding. By this time it’s sunset and the candles are lit. It’s a super romantic, intimate ceremony with only Mrs. Cake and Burnt Oak as witnesses. Bright Mac knew his buttercup wouldn’t want a big splash (Apple Bloom VO: “Reminds me of somepony...” Big Mac VO “Eeeyup.”) so they had a special way to seal their vows. We see them each plant a seed in the ground.

As Young Mayor Mare says: “I now pronounce you--” we hear Granny Smith: “What’s goin’ on? Why are there candles out here in the shape of a heart?” REVEAL Granny Smith and Grand Pear getting to the border of the farms. Bright Mac and Pear Butter boldly explain that they’re in love. Pear Butter: “And we’ll be married as soon as Mayor Mare says...” She looks at Mayor Mare, who says: “I now pronounce you husband and wife.” They look at their parents, triumphant. That’s that. Granny Smith and Grand Pear start to argue. This is bananas - and they’re on the same side for once! Then Bright Mac exclaims: “I want to buy the Pear Farm!!” Everypony gasps, then Pear Butter says: “We both do. If it takes every bit we have, we want it.” Seeing the undeniable love between them, Granny Smith and Grand Pear relent. Grand

Pear: “You have yourself a deal, son.” The Apples and Pears shake hands, then hug. They’re family now.
Mayor Mare (VO): “And the Pear Farm became part of Sweet Apple Acres.”

Sc. 28 - EXT. TOWN HALL - BACK TO SCENE

The Apple siblings smile at Mayor Mare. They had no idea. Mrs. Cake says the Pears moved away and Pear Butter visited them when she could, but they were so far and the Apple kids were so little. Applejack asks Mayor Mare and Mrs. Cake why they didn’t tell them this before? They say they didn’t know how to bring it up. The best thing to do was to wait until the Apples were ready. The Apple siblings say they’re so glad they did this. But before the day is done, there are a couple more ponies they need to talk to.

Sc. 29 - EXT. PONYVILLE HOUSE - LATER

Apple Bloom and Big Mac knock on a door and Grand Pear comes out. AB: “Do you know who we are?” GP: “Yup.” AB: “Did you really move to Ponyville just for a change of pace?” GP: “Nope.” AB, teary: “You came here to get to know us, too?” GP: “Eeeyup.” They give him a big hug. Apple Bloom: “Well it sure is nice to meet you, Grandpa Pear. Ooh, can I call you Grandpere Pear??” GP laughs and nods. Then Big Mac tells him: “There’s something we want to show you.”

Sc. 30 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - DUSK

Applejack walks with Granny Smith. Granny Smith: “Where have you kids been, you’ve been gone all day!” Applejack: “All over, Granny. We learned about our family...” They round some trees and Grand Pear comes into view. Applejack: “Now I know you two don’t get along but...” Granny Smith and Grand Pear look at each other. The Apple siblings look back and forth between them, not sure of what to expect, but they just smile at each other. Granny: “Good to see you again, you old prickly pear.” Grand Pear: “Eeyup.” The Apple siblings realize the reason Granny Smith didn’t want to talk about the Pears wasn’t because she still hated them, but because it made her too sad. “This’ll make you feel better.” The Apple siblings lead Granny Smith and Grand Pear to...

Sc. 31 - EXT. PEAR FARM/APPLE ACRES BORDER - CONTINUOUS

...their parents’ secret wedding spot. There, they gasp when they see a beautiful tree - it’s part pear and part apple, and its branches have intertwined and twisted to create one harmonious intricate tree. The (now complete) Apple/Pear family hug in the shade of the tree. As the sun sets and we go out on the Apple/Pear family singing: “*We’re far apart in every way, but you’re the best part of my day. Sure as I breathe air, we’re the perfect pair...*” FADE OUT! THE END.