



YEARS AGO, HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT **PETER PARKER** WAS BITTEN BY A RADIOACTIVE SPIDER AND GAINED THE SPEED, AGILITY, AND PROPORTIONAL STRENGTH OF A SPIDER AS WELL AS THE ABILITY TO STICK TO WALLS AND A SPIDER-SENSE THAT WARNED HIM OF IMMINENT DANGER. AFTER LEARNING THAT WITH GREAT POWER THERE MUST ALSO COME GREAT RESPONSIBILITY, HE BECAME THE CRIME-FIGHTING SUPER HERO...

# the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN

WHEN A MURDEROUS FAMILY OF INTERDIMENSIONAL CREATURES CALLED **THE INHERITORS** BEGAN HUNTING AND FEASTING ON THE LIFEFORCES OF SPIDER-PEOPLE FROM ACROSS THE MULTIVERSE, IT FELL TO PETER PARKER, **THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN**, TO LEAD HIS FELLOW SPIDER-MEN AND WOMEN TO VICTORY. ONE INHERITOR LEECHED SOME OF SPIDER-MAN'S LIFEFORCE AND, AS A RESULT, PETER NOW FEELS ESPECIALLY EXHAUSTED.

HOWEVER, PETER'S SPIRITS COULDN'T BE HIGHER. AFTER LITERALLY LEADING AN ARMY AGAINST CERTAIN DOOM, HE'S SURE HE CAN LEAD HIS COMPANY, **PARKER INDUSTRIES**, TO A SUCCESSFUL FUTURE.

## **THE GRAVEYARD SHIFT** PART ONE: **THE LATE, LATE MR. PARKER**

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**THE CENTRAL PARK ZOO.**  
REPTILE HOUSE.

KILL HIM, MY BROTHERS! LET SPIDER-MAN'S DEATH BE THE BLOOD SACRIFICE THAT HERALDS OUR NEW AGE OF REPTILES!


**HSSSSSS**

I THINK YOUR "BROTHERS" JUST WANT A NAP, IGUANA. YOU COULD USE ONE TOO, MR. CRANKY-PANTS.

OH, AND YOUR HYPNOTIC STARE? NOT GONNA WORK. SPECIAL LENSES IN MY MASK. WE MAMMALS DIDN'T INHERIT THE EARTH JUST BY BEING BETTER LOOKING.

ALTHOUGH YOUR TEAM DID SET THE BAR PRETTY LOW...



A comic book panel showing Spider-Man in his red and blue suit fighting a large, green, scaly creature named Morlun. Morlun has glowing orange eyes and is roaring. Spider-Man is being thrown through the air, with debris flying around them. The scene is set in a city street with a railing in the foreground.

JUST AS WELL. I MUCH PREFER--

GNH!

--PREY THAT STRUGGLES.

**BRUK SHH**

SHOULD'VE DODGED THAT EASILY. I'M A MESS. SLOWER, WEAKER...

FIGHTING MORLUN TOOK A LOT OUT OF ME--LITERALLY. AND THE DRUGSTORE DOESN'T HAVE OVER-THE-COUNTER REMEDIES FOR DRAINED LIFE FORCE.

PLUS, I'VE BEEN GONE LONG ENOUGH THAT EVERYTHING I'VE NEGLECTED IN MY PERSONAL LIFE...

...IS READY TO COME CRASHING DOWN ON ME.

INCOMING CALL, MAY PARKER.

CASE IN POINT.



**THWIP**

AUNT MAY? NOW'S NOT A GREAT TIME... ARE YOU OKAY?

YOU'RE ASKING ME? I HAVEN'T HEARD FROM YOU IN DAYS!



**FWAP**

YOU AND ANNA MARIA ARE STILL COMING FOR DINNER THIS WEEKEND?



OY...SHE THINKS ANNA AND I ARE STILL DATING.

**DIE!!**

THIS COULD GET UNCOMFORTABLE.

**HSSAAHH!**

