

Meet the Lee brothers

Present Lives

Ricci, the All- Rounder

He is the pride and joy of the Uesaka clan and came to be known as the "golden boy". It was easy for him to adapt to his new life in Japan. With his bubbly personality, he made friends with almost everyone. He picks up on the language after only a few months. He aced his advanced prep classes and garnered several speaking event championships in his high school. On one of his school trips, they had a month-long ESL program where they stayed in the Philippines and immediately fell in love with the country. He applied for a scholarship in one of the country's big universities and got in. He is now an instructor teaching Language and Literature courses. He is a workaholic freak and believes that he'll get sick if he doesn't have anything to do. So, he has a lot of part-time jobs to boot on top of his choral and student council duties. From being the dean's assistant to working as a barista to managing models and bands, he has done it all. Despite having a tight schedule, he still makes time for his romantic pursuits. He is now engaged to **Sebastian Ace Maniego** whom he once fought over a plate of *sisig* at the university's cafeteria. The latter became a regular customer of the café he once worked in, pestering him every shift. Their bickering turned into affectionate teasing which then blossomed into romance.

Residence: San Lorenzoville, Makati

Pets: 4 cats (Miroki, Faxia, Lily, and Renji), 1 husky (Chandria), and 1 parrot (Milo)

Marius, the Misunderstood

His life in the Uesaka clan was a far cry from the orphanage and yet, he felt the same suffocating air here in Japan. The high school that they went to was very rigid and demanding. He wasn't a dull student and would often excel in Math and Sciences but the language barrier made everything tripled in difficulty. He skipped the after school clubs that invited him and would often be found doing hard labor in the red-light district, waiting tables, and valet parking, not that he had to because his Kuya Yuji was a generous man. But he felt he needed to compensate himself. When Ricci said he was going to the Philippines, he followed suit and enrolled himself in a medical course as encouraged by his homeroom adviser. But after an altercation with a professor, he decided to quit schooling and just continue doing hard labor which he seemed to excel at. He heard about Pampanga and their car racing culture, so he decided to try his luck there as a freelance mechanic. It was also in that city that he met his now-wife, **Cyreace Phoebe Maniego**. She was a volunteer at a public hospital where he found himself admitted and mistook her as a nurse because of her uniform when in fact she was assigned to a psych ward. They now have an energetic little girl named Mariana Conan.

Residence: Villa Teresa, Pampanga

Pets: 1 maltese (Koala), 1 cat (Gougou), and 1 bunny (Rius)

***Character note: RIZ** refers to both characters. No distinction, so interact freely regardless of background story. We will adjust depending on who you are talking/ referring to.