

ST NICHOLAS EVE: A SOUL IN TORMENT

Joe is both the part of Carol's boyfriend and the biblical Joseph, husband of Mary. As Carol's boyfriend, he is passively supportive. As Mary's husband, he is actively a protector.

CAROL
(beat)
Oh no.

JOE
(concerned)
What's wrong?

CAROL
Look. Over there. That trash can over
is knocked over.

JOE
(laughing)
Carol, you can't scare me like that.
I thought you were having pains
again. You sure you're all right?

CAROL
I'm fine. I'm just worried about my
neighbor.

JOE
Your neighbor?

CAROL
She's a very sweet elderly woman. Her
trash is scattered everywhere. Those
raccoons probably got into it again.

JOE
Well, if you really feel bad about
it, you could always...get out and
clean it up for her.