

## Character List for *Without a Trace*

(Characters are listed approximately in the order they appear in the story, but I could have made mistakes, so no guarantee.)

Bree Nicholls - lives in a lighthouse, age:29 - K9 Search and Rescue is her passion

Naomi Heinonen - Bree's next-door neighbor and best friend - runs the Blue Bonnet Bed and Breakfast with her mother

Donovan O'Reilly - owns local Ace Hardware store - his wife left him and the children 2 years earlier

Emily - Donovan's daughter

Timmy - Donovan's son, has diabetes

Searchers:

- Tommy Lempinen - teenager
- Inetta Harris - professional woman
- Hilary Kaleva - Bree's sister-in-law (Rob's sister) - mayor of Rock Harbor
- Ranger Kade Matthews - in charge of the search - guardian of his sister since the death of their mother - age: early 30s
- Sheriff Mason Kaleva - Hilary's husband - sheriff of Kitchigami County

Samson - Bree's pet - best SAR dog on the peninsula - German shepherd/chow mix - age: 4

Rob Nicholls - Bree's late husband

Charley - golden retriever - Naomi's pet, also a search and rescue dog

Rachel Marks - lives in a shack in the woods - age: 50

Sam - small boy who lives with Rachel - walks with a limp

Marcus - Sam's pet squirrel

Pooky - Sam's stuffed koala bear that he gives to Timmy

Lauri Matthews - Kade's sister - age: 16

Brad - Milt Granger's son - works the counter at The Coffee Place in the town of Rock Harbor

Fay Asters - wife of bank manager - Kade wants to keep her away from Eric

Eric Matthew - Kade's cousin - Fay's extramarital love interest - spent 3 years in jail for assault and battery against Fay

Martha Heinonen - Naomi's mother - age: 58

Jacob Zinn - runs a fishing resort on the edge of town

Davy - Bree's son who died in a plane crash with his father Rob

Steve Asters - Fay's husband - manager of Rock Harbor Savings and Loan

Anu Nicholls - Bree's mother-in-law - age: nearly 60 - abandoned by husband after 5 years, leaving her with two children, Hilary and Rob - opened Nicholls Finnish Imports 20 years earlier

Palmer and Lily Chambers - own a fitness center that struggles to survive

Page and Penelope Chambers - Palmer and Lily's 2-year-old twins

Lawrence Kukkarri - Fay's uncle

Suomi Café - overlooks Lake Superior - Suomi is the Finnish name for Finland

Molly - head waitress at the Suomi Café

Doug Montgomery - deputy

Rollo Wilson - county coroner, age: 40

Lanna March - called Bree shortly before Rob's plane crash and claimed to be his lover

Barbara McGovern - wife of owner of Rock Harbor Savings and Loan

Eini Kantola - works at Nicholl's Finnish Imports for Anu, age: 40

Sheba McDonald - town busybody - married to county court judge

Janelle Calumet - Sheba's friend

Lars Thorensen - owner or employee of the Rock Harbor General Store

Janna Kievari - age: about 40, with the state police forensic team

Frank - Rachel's brother

Zorro - Lauri's new puppy

Mathilda Worrell - age: nearly 70, runs the animal shelter

Jasper - yellow lab - the Chambers' new puppy

Mary Bristol - director of the Golden Years Nursing Home in Chicago

Mazzy - Kade's starling friend

Brannon, Merz & Associates - a firm threatening legal action against Steve Asters if he doesn't pay the past due amount of \$250,000

Mike Farrell - Sunday School teacher

Tracie Mitchell - Lauri's friend who has gone to live with her father

Mindy Sturgeon - high school principal's daughter

Chip Elliott - part of Lauri's crowd

Brian Parker - son of Max Parker, the town physician

Bubba Martin - age 23, a hunter who got lost in the forest

Mitchell and Marvin Larson - brothers, hunting buddies of Eric Matthews

Paulie - Frank's son, Rachel Marks' nephew

Wilson Cutter - 1965 letter to Wilson Cutter reported that gold had been discovered in the Copper Queen mine

Abe - Anu's husband who left her many years earlier

Matthew Kukkan - Fay's grandfather and a good friend of Abe's

Louis Farmer - loaned Kade and Steve snowmobiles

Lanna Martin - Bubba Martin's mother