

Character List for Beyond a Doubt

(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, owns the Kitchigami Search and Rescue (SAR) Training Center

Anu Nicholls - Bree's mother-in-law - owns and operates Nicholls Finnish Imports

Quentin Siller - abusive husband

Karen Siller - Quentin's wife

Samson - German shepherd/chow mix - age: 4 - Bree's search-and-rescue pet

Sheriff Mason Kaleva - Anu's son-in-law, Bree's brother-in-law

Davy Nicholls - Bree's 4-year-old son

Rachel Marks - character from the previous book who found and cared for Davy after he and his father were in a plane wreck

Kade Matthews - ranger for the National Kitchigami Wilderness Tract and Bree's romantic interest

Rob Nicholls - Bree's late husband, Anu's son

Dr. Max Parker - old family friend, makes house calls for Davy

Dr. Walton - Davy's counselor

Lauri Matthews - Kade's sister - age: 16

Brian Parker - the school hottie who is dating Lauri Matthews - son of Dr. Parker - age: 18

Dinah and Ruth - Lauri's best friends until she began dating Brian and joined the popular crowd

Andi Booth - cheerleader

Hilary Kaleva - Mason's wife, Anu's daughter

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

Doug Montgomery - Rock Harbor deputy

Charley - golden retriever - Naomi's search and rescue pet

Martha Heinonen - Naomi's mother

Donovan O'Reilly - Naomi's fiancé

Palmer - character from previous book (*Without a Trace*)

Gretchen Siller - daughter of Quentin and Karen

Head Ranger Gary Landorf - Kade's boss

Patch - Karen Siller's dog, a 10-month-old Great Dane in Bree's SAR classes

Emily O'Reilly - Donovan's daughter

Zorro - Lauri Matthew's black-and-white dog, also in the SAR classes - age: nearly four months

Klepto - one of Brian's buddies

Neville - mysterious bully-type character

Sarah Cappel - a girl who would be happy to be Brian's girlfriend if he and Lauri broke up

Abraham Nicholls - Anu's husband who left her 30 years ago

Peter Thorrington - a former lighthouse keeper who disappeared on June 12, 1976 - his body was located behind a false wall in the basement of the lighthouse at the beginning of the book

Bree's SAR students

- **Cassie Heck**
- **Naomi and Charley**
- **Lauri Matthews and Zorro**
- **Eva Nardi** - blond with blue eyes, nearly 6 feet tall - age: 25 - has a golden retriever named Riley
- **Ryan Erickson** - paramedic - dog's name is Mickey
- **Karen Siller and Patch**

Molly - waitress at the Suomi Café

Four close buddies back "in the day" - also had some business dealings

- **Abraham Nicholls**

- **Peter Thorrington**
- **Gary Landorf**
- **Max Parker**

Beulah Thorrington - Peter's wife - owns a landscaping business, Beulah's Bounty

Sally Wilson - hairdresser

Sheila McDonald - the town gossip, married to Judge McDonald

Sheriff Mackey - sheriff in Rock Harbor when Peter Thorrington went missing

Odetta Syers - waitress from the Copper Club who was seeing Thorrington before he disappeared

Ted Kemppa - Thorrington's stepbrother - they didn't get along - a supervisor at the paper mill

Timmy O'Reilly - Donovan's son

Steve Aster - manager of Rock Harbor Savings and Loan - his wife Fay was murdered in the previous book

Nick Fletcher - firefighter who has a crush on Bree - has only been in town a couple of weeks

Cassie Hecko - a research scientist who's interested in buying Steve Aster's house

Argie Hamel - the captain of the *Seawind*, a cargo ship that sank in the same storm as the *Edmund Fitzgerald* in November, 1975 - Hamel's whole crew died, but he survived for a few days afterwards

Susan Hamel - Argie's sister, a photographer whose shop is named Ducks in a Row

Hippo Man - a shadowy character

Benjamin Lee Mallory - a man from Houghton that Kade found dead in Rock River near Whetstone Falls - had worked at a cannery in Hancock - age: 29

Becky Parker - Dr. Parker's late wife

Dawn Anderson - anchor for KPTV

Lempi - belligerent spokesman for three young men who murdered Benjamin Mallory for Hippo Man

Vern - one of the young men in Lempi's group

Lynette - Hilary's secretary

Meredith - Lynette's daughter

Jeff Syers - Odetta Syers' brother

Klepto, Butch, and Fuzz - Brian's three buddies - all are in their early 20s

Moses - Kade's work horse

Carson Meeks - the local vet