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We have heard a lot about him but the relationship Lara Croft had with her father is still very much a mystery. We do know though that Lord Croft was the most influential figure in Lara's life.

Devastated by the death of his wife in a plane crash, Croft was also obsessed with finding the key to not only human resurrection but immortality.

Fans have always been left with the impression that Croft was so obsessed with his quest that he was a fleeting figure in Lara's home-life.

Tomb Raider – Survivor's Crusade #3 not only shows how Lara grew to follow in his footsteps but how much Croft loved his only daughter and how much she admired him.

Through flashbacks we trace Lara's journey from rookie treasure hunter to martial arts student. We are then transported to the present as Lara visits a special secret shrine all on her own. This visit is presented concurrently with Lara's memory of unearthing the same shrine with her father when she was a young child.

We learn how Lord Croft meticulously passed along his love for history, archeology and mythology to his daughter which includes them exploring the shrine – the Monetary of Akhenaten – an ancient Egyptian pharaoh. The Crofts keep the discovery confidential. It is their private place of reflection.



Issue #3 is a detour from the main Survivor's Crusade story and as such is the best issue thus far in the series. There is no gunplay. No over-the-top action scenes. What there is though is a touching remembrance as Lara, the conflicted daughter, relives her past and honours someone who was not only her father but also her mentor and her idol.

If you are a Tomb Raider fan this poignant story is one you should read and own even if you don't collect the rest of this solid run.

THE GOOD

- ⊕ More of Lara's past is explored.
- ⊕ A welcome break from all the adventuring.
- ⊕ A story full of emotion and feeling.

THE BAD

8.5
Great

Review Summary

A revealing account of Lara's complicated relationship with her father.

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