

Inherit the Bones by Emily Littlejohn

Gemma Monroe - narrator, police detective

Angel Chavez - chief of police, Gemma's superior

Reed Tolliver - murder victim, member of Fellini Brothers' Circus

Joseph Fatone - general manager of the circus

Terence/Terry Bellington - mayor of Cedar Valley

Nicholas/Nicky Bellington - mayor's son who slipped and fell from a cliff

Dr. Ravi Hussen - medical examiner

Lars and Jeff - assistants to the medical examiner

Phineas/Finn Nowlin - a fellow police officer, at odds with Gemma

Sam Birdshead - a rookie from Denver

Tommy & Andrew McKenzie - young cousins who disappeared ~30 years ago

Brody - Gemma Monroe's boyfriend, contract geologist for the government

Silas Nyquist - previous mayor who died of a heart attack about 30 years ago

The Woodsman - the unidentified murderer of the McKenzie boys

Seamus - Gemma's dog

Julia - Gemma's grandmother whose dementia is progressing

Bull Weston - Julia's husband, former district attorney and judge

Hannah Watkins - the Bellington's nanny/housekeeper, Terence's sister

Ellen Bellington/Nystrom - Terence's wife, former actress

Annika Bellington - Nicky's twin sister, home from college

Pete - Annika's boyfriend, member of the band Hellcat

Frank Bellington - Terence's ailing father

Paul Winters - the teacher on the camping trip that involved Nicky's accident

Louis Moriarty - friend of Frank and Bull, on the police force

Jazzy Douglas - friend of Frank and Bull

Celeste Takashima - a colleague of Brody, with whom he had an affair

Dr. Pabst - Gemma's therapist

Tessa/T O'Leary - romantically involved with Reed, member of circus

Lisey - Tessa's roommate

Lucas/Luke Armstrong - a fellow police officer, detail-oriented

Darren Chase - Cedar Valley's basketball coach