

The Cold Dish by Craig Johnson

Sheriff Walt Longmire - our narrator, grieving his late wife

Ruby - receptionist, dispatcher

Bob Barnes - the one who reports finding Cody's body

Billy - son of Bob Barnes

Victoria 'Vic' Moretti - Walt's trusty deputy whom he sees as his replacement

Cady - Walt's daughter, an attorney in Philadelphia

Glen - Vic's husband

Martha - Walt's late wife

Melissa Little Bird - young rape victim

Cody Pritchard - murder victim, previously convicted of raping Melissa

George and Jacob Esper - brothers who were involved in the attack on Melissa

Jacob Esper - second murder victim

George Esper - taken into custody

Bryan Keller - accessory to the attack on Melissa

Mary Roebing - Melissa's teacher

Henry Standing Bear - Melissa's uncle, bar owner, Walt's closest friend

Doctor Leonard - (no explanation needed)

Buck Morris - local cowboy

Roger Russell - an electrician from a neighboring town

Brian Connally "Turk" - feckless deputy

Vonnie Hayes - romantic interest of Walt, from a wealthy family, sculptress

T.J. Sherwin - director of the Criminal Investigation lab unit

Jim Ferguson "Ferg" - head of search and rescue, Walt's part-time deputy

Lucian Connally - former sheriff in assisted living

Steve Brandt - mayor of Durant

Mike Anderson - member of a hunting party renting in the area

Ernie Brown - local newspaper writer

Vern Selby - circuit court judge

Omar Rhoades - wealthy resident, firearms expert

Artie Small Song - a suspect well-known within law enforcement

Lonnie Little Bird - Melissa's father, attempting to gain time with his daughter