

Dear Committee:

As I started my statement before. I am a member of a club that no one wants to be a member of. The cost to be a member is a price no one would want to pay. I am a member of the Parents of Dead Children Club.

On March 27, 2007 I received a call from my wife saying there had been a bad wreck by the motel. I joked with her that it wasn't me and not to call the insurance agent, she wasn't getting any money from my life insurance yet. About a hour later I received another call from one of my employees telling me my daughter, Myranda, had been in an accident. How bad is it I asked. Bad, was the answer. I hung up to start picking up at my job site when the phone rang again. This time it was a nurse at the hospital. You need to get here as fast as you can, Myranda has been in an accident, it's bad.

I headed for the hospital, about 20 minutes away, praying please God over and over. I tried not to speed to much, but what would you do? I was breathing heavy, scared to the point were I thought I might pass out. Trying to stay calm don't want to be in a wreck myself.

Reaching the hospital I had to park a block away, there were so many people there already. I ran for the front of the hospital, funny I can't remember where to go in. My legs feel like lead it takes so long to get inside. Inside I see my mother, I look at her to tell me what is going on. She's gone, my only daughter is gone.

Later after the first court had found the driver guilty of misdemeanor vehicular homicide, an appeal turned over that judgement, before the first court was finished. Because of the new finding the driver was only charged with failure to yield. The driver had to pay a fine of sixty dollars. Then we were told because it was a traffic infraction, there were no victims. I don't know what to call four dead people if they are not victims. There were not any obstructions blocking the drivers view. The driver was warned by the passengers in the car that a truck was approaching. The driver was barely moving, not stopped or speeding up, but just barely moving when the truck hit. This is a case of neglecton the drivers part. The driver is to be in control of their vehicle and this is case of neglect. There are alot of loop holes in this case that I hope your committee wil close.

Thank you for your time.

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