

PERSONAL STATEMENT

Neither words nor actions can express the emotional pain I felt when I found out the tragic news that my brother was gone. No words could I find to explain the pain and anger I felt when I had to identify my brothers body. As my statement is read and you sit here today I hope deep down in my heart that you feel some sort of remorse for the life you took away. The life of a loving father, uncle, brother, and husband who is deeply missed by those whose lives he filled with joy each day. I cannot express the devastation I felt when I looked into the eyes of his daughters and had to explain to them that daddy was never coming home. Until that day of tragedy I never knew of the word hate, for I do not hate you as a person but I do hate the crime that you committed against my baby brother. In my eyes he will still be my baby brother the same one who I raised like my own son. Even though you sat there emotionless throughout your entire trial showing no signs of remorse or any type of sorrow for what you had done, I hope that while you serve your time day after day, week after week, month after month, year after year that you think about the crime you selfishly committed.

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I hope that you never see freedom again, and walk day after day thinking about your actions as a man in this world. The night you took my brothers life you took your own as well. I don't know if you see that now but maybe one day you will. When your time comes to go I hope you have an answer for God on the actions you committed.

In closing I would like to thank the hard work and dedication of the entire legal system. I am a firm believer that justice always prevails and I thank all those who brought justice to my family. The D.A. did a terrific job as did all of those involved since day one. I believe my brother is happy that his murderer got what he deserved.