

Gun violence protection task force.

I have so much I would like to talk about I don't know if I can fit it in the sort amount of time allotted. So I will touch of some of the subjects.

Some of what I have to say has been said by other people. Some of it is taken from other people's writings. Because they put it exactly as I wished I could have come up with on my own.

Just a little bit of my background. I served with the CT State Police as an Auxiliary State Trooper for just over 20 years, when on a Memorial Day weekend I was injured in a department accident. My cruiser (that I was in) was rear ended by a drunk and stoned individual with a long criminal record. He was doing 70mph and never even slowed down. I was protecting the other Troopers dealing with an accident scene up ahead that was around a bend and over a ridge in the road.

Did you catch the part about the long criminal record? Why does this kind of person keep getting released back into society?

Why don't we more aggressively enforce existing laws and keep dangerous people locked up for as long as possible?

Politicians say they support the 2nd amendment right to keep and bear arms. They say they don't want to disarm the public. But if you look at what the antigun people are saying, they will come right out and say they want all guns gone. And you wonder why pro gun people object to more gun laws.

The politicians think the gun laws that they are proposing are reasonable. But they are not. Most of them are based on ignorance and prejudice. And they will not help to reduce gun violence. One child killed, one person killed is too many. We need to get to the source of the problem.

What has changed that we now have these mass killings?

The scary black rifle is no more deadly then many other guns. Did anyone who has ever voted for these bans in the past truly understood what the purpose of banning certain features really accomplish? I wrote a 4 page response refuting what an anti gun group has posted on their web site. The whole thing is too long to go into with the time restrictions of the meeting. But if any of the legislators want to see it let me know and I will send it to you or even sit down with you to discuss it.

They say the only purpose for an AR15 type of gun is for killing people. I have one and I have never killed anyone with any gun. And I even used to be a cop.

Right after the tragedy in Newtown the governor himself said "Evil visited this community today". That is exactly what the problem is. How do you deal with evil?

The sad fact is that there is not any new law that could be passed that would prevent an event like this. The people that commit these acts are broken. They have absolutely zero regard for any law. They are not afraid of criminal penalty because most are so broken that they are intent on dying while committing their deed.

How do you stop a person that has such commitment? It's clear that no law will stop them.

Mass murders seem to be perpetrated by people who had a known history of serious mental disorders long before they killed.

I think anyone who has interaction with someone who is exhibiting issues needs to bring it to someone's attention. That may be a teacher, a fellow student, a guidance counselor, a physician whoever it is. How would you feel if you ignored the warning signs and then something like the Newtown incident were to happen? It seems like in all of these types of mass murders it comes out afterwards that the person was known to have mental issues. But no one did anything about it.

Do you want to do something that might actually help? Making good people helpless doesn't make bad people harmless. You can't stop insane people from doing insane things with insane laws. To think you can is just insane.

Take the time and sit down with people like me and come up with a plan that might actually make a difference. It takes a lot longer then the time I have been given here.

Here is something I would like to recommend to the press and media. Murderers – don't give them the fame – don't mention their name.

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