Jean C. Nieves Rodriguez



TWEET



Jean, what happened that day was horrible and unacceptable. I promise we will do everything in our power to make sure that tragedies such as this are no longer normalized. May you rest in peace.

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STATISTIC

Another senseless death.

LIFE

Jean Nieves Rodriguez was a 27-year-old from Puerto Rico who was known for being a very loving and caring friend and son. One of his best friends called him a "big teddy bear." His sister said, "He cared more about others than about himself." Those close to him knew that he would be there for them, no matter what, and that he would often put the wants and needs of others first before his. Jean was also an incredibly hard-working person who got his first job at the age of 15. He senselessly lost his life in the tragedy that was the Pulse nightclub shooting on June 12, 2016.

AMENDMENT

When discussing the 2nd Amendment of the United States Constitution, many people discuss how specifically assault rifles should be more heavily regulated. However, I believe something crucial that must be kept in mind is that most homicides that occur in the United States occur with other weapons. In the FBI website, under their Expanded Homicide Data Table 8, it is shown that in 2019, handguns were used in 6,368 homicides while rifles were only used in 364 homicides. Moving forward, when discussing gun legislation, I hope people take this important piece of information into account.

