

1 GVP65, Lois Kasoboski

2 D: So, tell me a little bit about yourself.

3 L: Okay. Ah, yes. I grew up on a big dairy farm. My father was military, I was the oldest of
4 fifteen children and I, so I worked very hard and long hours on the farm and my father was
5 working for military company in town, also, in the city. [...] I had a lifestyle filled with horses
6 and motorcycles and, and ATVs and snowmobiles and, but a lot of hard work went along with
7 that as well.

8 D: Wow.

9 L: [...] I had to get up every morning at 4:45 AM and go milk the cows before I went to school,
10 no breaks, you know. Always, every day I had to work. And then as I, as life went on, I then
11 ended up in a marriage and having five children, five beautiful children who all turned out, I was
12 fortunate, very, very wonderful people. (laughter) And just through life, myself, I was in floral
13 design, managed some shops, did some buying for them. So, I was a floral designer at weddings
14 and so forth. I did inside sales for many years, have stacks of awards. I, outside sales, I loved it.

15 D: I can see you doing sales.

16 L: Uh-huh. And outside sales, loved it. I loved my clients that I had, it was all in very
17 governmental and educational positions that all my clients were. And I thoroughly enjoyed that
18 when the company sold. And throughout all of that, you know, downhill skiing and mountains in
19 Colorado, [...] 11,000 elevation.

20 D: Wow.

21 L: I like to parasail. I've taken horses and [...] went out, when I grew up I had horses, but out in
22 Jamaica you know, running along the beach and then we put water saddles on and swam with
23 them in the ocean. And I have taken a lot of lessons, never totally finished, but did a lot of hours
24 in learning how to fly airplanes. And that, where you go up and do the stall. And then, [...], you
25 have to wait for the engine to quit and then start it back up. And so, I like life. I like living it.
26 And I like rollerblading and [...], just doing you know, biking and hiking and of course, enjoying
27 time with friends and going out dancing is always a favorite too. But, so, that's kind of a little bit
28 about myself. I mean, I've taken Israeli street fighting, I studied that. So, that was a lot of fun.
29 Yeah. [...] studied here and there. And I've also just taken upon myself, I never finished my
30 degree but I've just kind of taken it upon myself to, oh I even general contracted a very
31 expensive home that was well over quarter-of-a-million. And I did that all the generaling on it, I
32 laid all the tile. [...] the two-story home. I even laid all the ridge-cap up on the roof. And we had
33 three different pitches on that roof. So, I know how to do that. I've remodeled a couple of homes
34 [...]. I ripped a whole front porch off by myself, jacked up the roof, and, and put on a new porch
35 with new stringers and so forth. So, I like life and I like learning things. And I like, even, in the
36 house that I generalied, the big expensive one, I came in ahead of schedule and under budget.

37 D: Wow.

38 L: And still, hey it was, it was fascinating and very fun to do. But I just have taken them upon
39 myself, just doing a lot of research and studying into different avenues, through history and
40 culture, religion and science. And listening to different teachers from like, Harvard or there's
41 many wonderful doctors or people who are on TED Talks or just investigative reporters. And I
42 started just learning [...], a lot of different intricate aspects of all of these different categories,
43 yeah.

44 D: Mhmm. (pause) Can you tell me how old you are?

45 L: Wow, well, alright (laughter) if I must.

46 D: You don't have to.

47 L: No, it's okay. I am fifty-nine.

48 D: You don't look fifty-nine.

49 L: Thank you.

50 D: And your race?

51 L: White.

52 D: And your gender?

53 L: Female.

54 D: And you live in, it says here, what neighborhood or area of Milwaukee do you live in, but you
55 live in Hartford?

56 L: Correct.

57 D: And how long have you lived here?

58 L: I have been in this area for about a year, now.

59 D: Okay.

60 L: [...] a year. I used to work and have an office in Milwaukee for the business I was with. But
61 that business sold. But I'm familiar with the area quite a bit. And a lot of my clients were in the
62 Milwaukee area.

63 D: Okay. Do you remember where your story happened?

64 L: My story happened, well, yes. I, at that time, was living North more, near Appleton,
65 Wisconsin. And in that area, I just kind of be in general of the Oshkosh, Appleton area, so it's in
66 that area. And I had a home there. And my son had the unfortunate incident happen to him. He
67 was in that area, also. And he had come over and sometimes he would come and stay with me,
68 because he would do some traveling and stuff he loved to, is it okay to say his name?

69 D: Mhmm.

70 L: Okay. My son, Johnathon, he would go out in the woods and camp for long periods of time or
71 in the state forests and different things because he loved being in the outdoors. He was in the
72 military for a while. He was I guess, becoming one of their, [...] sharpshooter for them. He was,
73 he had a lot of talent I guess, in that area.

74 D: Wow.

75 L: And he worked for the prison system. And he had bought a home eventually at one point in
76 time and redid that, so he enjoyed that. But he had told me that he was, he was looking for a
77 different car. And so, he and a friend were going to go down to, is it okay to say the city?

78 D: Sure.

79 L: He was going down to [...] look at this car, him and his friend. And he was all excited, took
80 money with him. And so, him and his friend proceeded to go to that city to look at this car, he
81 had called me and got ahold of me that morning that he was on his way. And then, once he got
82 there though, it was a set-up. There wasn't, I guess, really a car for sale. And they were
83 ambushed by a gang [...]. And they had pulled guns on them, had them kneeling on the ground,
84 with the guns at their head. And proceeded to douse the car with gasoline and douse them with

85 gasoline. And so, (pause) then they robbed them, took all of their possessions, all of my son's
86 money, and (pause) they were going to light them on fire. And I can remember the look on his
87 face, and him telling me about it, to this day. He's like, because the lighter would not work. I
88 remember him, after he got back from the ordeal. He's looking at me, he was like, "Mom," he
89 goes, "the lighter would not light. They tried, it would not light." So, somehow, and I don't recall
90 the details of it, they got away. And I don't know if people had been coming by or somehow,
91 someone called the police. But then the police car did arrive. And, so it saved their lives. They
92 [...] ended up not burning to death and them setting the car on fire. (pause) And then there was,
93 and I don't know the name of the officer, but there was this amazing woman officer that once
94 they got their story, (pause) and got the report, she was so kind that she took them to her house,
95 let them shower, gave them clothes, and then took them back to where they were able to pick up
96 the vehicle. But then, somehow, they didn't have a key. A second key, through all the
97 commotion and the robbery, the key was missing. So, then they had to get back to home to get
98 the key, and then go back to be able to retrieve the vehicle, which they did.

99 D: Wow.

100 L: But fortunately, they didn't lose their lives at that point in time. I remember the investigator
101 coming around, or I mean, wanting Johnathon to testify because it was going to court.

102 D: They caught them.

103 L: Now the other—I guess, yes. They caught them. The other, my son's friend agreed to testify,
104 but for some reason, my son Johnathon would not testify. To this day now, I don't know all of
105 the details about that. So, I don't know if they intimidated him, because I know he would say, I
106 would say to him, "Just stay by me, I don't care. Here's a key, come and go as you please." He
107 goes, "But I got to keep you safe, I have to keep you safe Mom." And I'm like, "Don't worry

108 about my safety, I'm worried about yours. I want to keep you safe." You know, if you need me,
109 you need me to be there, if something happens, we will deal with it at that point in time. But
110 (pause) so, he wouldn't testify. I remember he was helping my daughter load a bed up on the
111 truck and at the time, I was giving them a bedroom set because I was moving. And an
112 investigator came and asked where he was, willing to talk to them and I'm like, I didn't give him
113 any information because my son said he didn't want, so I didn't, and I didn't want to overstep
114 because that's not my place. That's not for me to say. He knew all the details; he knew what was
115 going on and my job was to support him in that, you know, I can interject and give ideas but
116 that's his call, that's his life.

117 D: That's right.

118 L: And that goes back to, we don't have a right to press or force someone to do something, You
119 know, that's his choice. And so, the other, the other friend, the friend of his did end up testifying,
120 but then moved away, and I believe there was a name change (inaudible). My son didn't testify
121 and I don't even know now what totally happened with the case. And things then went in a
122 different direction and my son just lived his life, however, there was more details later on that
123 possibly pertained to what was going on. But we don't have a way to prove it.

124 D: Right.

125 L: So, it's and as far as like this, the gun violence and these kids having these guns, we need to
126 come up, I think, with a new way of dealing with this. Because obviously what we've been
127 doing, for years upon years upon years, it's not working. And I think that these children doing
128 this and people doing this, whether they be young, young adults, or people of any age, I think it
129 goes back deeper [...] into our society. And how we think and how certain things are portrayed

130 in society and how our life and our government has gone back and forth. And this isn't anything
131 to do with any type of party or belief system, but just us as a people, as a whole, as the world, our
132 nation. We need to come up with a different way of approaching things and I think it has to be a
133 more scientific approach. Along with, I think there's some things that are lacking and missing in
134 our society that causes this to happen, which that I guess would be, maybe a whole other topic.
135 But (pause) there's some doctors that talk about frequencies, like Dr. Bruce Lipton and Dr.
136 Qatar, and how we deal with things and how we handle things. And I think because of how
137 things have been going, because I never thought my son and his friend would end up having an
138 issue like this, and eventually—

139 D: That's a scary one at that.

140 L: Eventually and he ended up, his life, he ended up dying. But that gets a little complicated.

141 D: Your son?

142 L: And I think it has, it has to do with this incident that happened. But (pause) I don't, we don't
143 have really, a lot of proof of that.

144 D: I'm so sorry.

145 L: And so, it does, I even wrote a book. And I've got the first draft done, and I'm starting on the
146 second draft, but I haven't had much time left as of, as of lately. It's, things, life has just been too
147 much in the fast lane. But I want to finish this book and I want to be able to talk to small groups
148 of people who have gone through these type of ordeals and have had to deal with that shock and
149 that pain of things happening like, within an instant. And you're dealing not only with the trauma
150 of what happened, but now you're dealing with the shock that's, your body is going through and
151 how it can send you reeling. And I've watched parents who have lost their children. And when it

152 happens, and how they start to break apart, and how they can start to crumble. And I had,
153 because I have seen that, and I didn't, I thought I understood what that parent was going through
154 when they lost their son or daughter, but once it happened to me, I realized I didn't have a clue. I
155 thought I understood their pain, but until you feel that pain of losing that child, a child especially,
156 you have no idea as to the magnitude of that pain. And so, I wrote a book, I talked to a counselor
157 a little bit, she ended up saying, "You are so strong, you're handling this." But I wasn't going to
158 let it get me down. I needed to stay strong because I had four other children. Whether it be
159 regards to the incident of what happened to my son, or his death later on, I had to stay strong
160 because I wasn't going to do anyone any good for me to fall apart. So, I had to figure out a way
161 to keep things going. And it's kind of like, I heard a story about this donkey who fell down a
162 well and it was an older donkey, and the farmer looked at it, or the land owner and he's like,
163 "Well, it's old, we'll just leave it. We can't get it out, let's leave it there to die." And so, it
164 started, some people came over and they started taking this dirt and shovels and shoveling on top
165 of the donkey. But as they were doing that, the donkey would shake off the sand and it would fall
166 to the bottom and raise him up. And he kept doing this, he kept doing it, 'til he got to the top of
167 the well and was able to get out of the well. And that's kind of like our lives. Sometimes, we can,
168 [...], fall into a hole that's not our fault. It's not of our making. We're strong, good people, and
169 something bad will happen. And we're stuck in this hole. And we have to learn that we can, as
170 these bad things come in and you're dealing with the pain, it's like the dirt being shoveled on top
171 of you, you've got to learn how to use it to your advantage, you got to learn how to become
172 strong and literally get yourself out of that and back to where you need to be so you can deal
173 with everything. And so, I want my experience to be able to help other people and be a support
174 and help other people be strong. And look at different theories. Like Hans Wilhelm and how he

175 looks at the aspect of life and why certain things happen. Or you take these other scientists or
176 doctors who work and deal with frequencies. Like, you've got different, you've got the alpha, the
177 beta, the theta, the delta, and the gamma, and you have these different frequencies of how our
178 body works. And using everything that we have, materialistically and around us, in the
179 supernatural and just, in how we're made up, to be able to move forward as a whole, as a society
180 so that we all can benefit. And come up with solutions and ideas to help solve these problems.
181 Because I believe they can be solved, but I think that we need a new avenue, a new way of
182 looking at things. The thought process of old doesn't work. And so, we've got to collaborate,
183 we've got to have think tanks, we've got to come up with new ways that don't disrespect the
184 rights of people, and the protection of people, but at the same time, it's a wholeness and a
185 wellness. So, we can have all of it together.

186 D: You talk about a new way to approach an old issue, did the death of your son lead you to
187 becoming a collector of information?

188 L: (pause) That, of course, sometimes I think, when you have a certain maybe calling on your
189 life, or something, there's certain things that maybe happen in your life that gets your attention.
190 Where before, you were so busy living life and having fun, I was skiing down mountains and
191 swimming with horses and the ocean and going to Vegas, and I was all concerned about getting
192 my stack of awards from work, you know, and just being happy and there's nothing wrong with
193 that. But then, sometimes something will happen in life that will cause you to say, "Hey, that
194 stuff doesn't seem as important right now, we've got a really, there's an issue." There's a real
195 problem, there's a real issue that needs to be addressed. And that, along with my daughter and
196 one of my sons asked me a couple of very profound questions at one point, while, it was in the
197 midst of all of this as well. And I went to prove them wrong on a couple of issues because there's

198 a certain way we went to church all the time. Growing up sometimes we're in church, my
199 children like, twice a week or three times if we went for a special speaking service on, on a
200 Wednesday night. And I always tried to teach them, I had them run like, small businesses when
201 they were little, so they could understand, and that's probably why they all kind of turned out to
202 be very entrepreneurial as they've grown up, you know. And I wanted to (pause) I wanted to,
203 [...] help my children and what the, the questions they were asking. But as I went to try to prove
204 how I had raised them, and my thought process, not that there was anything bad about it, it was
205 all good, and I always taught them to be a protector of all people. No matter what, if you see
206 someone being bullied or something happening, you stand up and you protect them. And I, but
207 once they asked me these questions and there was certain specific things I wanted to try to prove
208 that, I couldn't prove certain points of value as I presented it to them as children. I had to go back
209 and actually apologize to them all and say, "You know what, I was wrong." I can't prove that.
210 (laughter) And, and so, being a protector of people and working together means no one's
211 oppressed and unity of all, is extremely important. I was sitting at lunch with my son the other
212 day, we had just finished up our little job and, or business, and it was, we were talking about,
213 yes, he's like "I want unity for everyone." And we're, and even when I was a kid I was always
214 one that wanted to protect people. [...] there was this one gal in study hall and she was sitting
215 there, and every day these boys would come by and knock her books off. And she was, she was a
216 gal that she came from a very low-income and she was overweight so, she got teased a lot, and I
217 always felt so sorry for her and I only seen it happen to her, a couple, you know, a couple times.
218 So, finally I had enough of that, and I decided next time they came in, that wasn't going to
219 happen. So, the next time they were going towards her, I was standing in front of her, and I said,

220 “You try to knock her books off of her desk, I will mop the floor up with you.” And I said, “You
221 leave her alone, don’t ever, ever touch her again or tease her.” They never did.

222 D: Wow.

223 L: From that day forward, but you have to remember I was a scrappy little farm girl. So, they
224 were, you know, so it just, I mean, sometimes you just need to have the courage to stand up, it,
225 you really, because sometimes those type of people, they don’t really have, they’re scaredy cats
226 and they don’t really have it. Not always, you got the psychotic ones that will go above and
227 beyond. But, and even when I went to school, when I was in high school, there was an issue with
228 people getting beat up, like, the initiation, the senior, the freshman type thing. They came after
229 me one day, and I was watching this happen to everyone, and I’m like, “You’re not laying a hand
230 on me.” So, I was in music class, actually, and they started coming after me, two of them did, the
231 teacher was off in the soundproof room doing a voice, a voice test. So, he didn’t know what was
232 going on, so we ended up breaking, damaging, breaking a music chair up. You know, the one
233 you sit in, that has the little thing that folds over, for your tablet to sit on. And then, got out of
234 there, and I think one of my friends got caught behind them, they kind of ended up razzing her
235 and smacking her around a little bit. I went home and I thought about it and I told my father, who
236 was military. And he called the school. And I went in, nobody else would stand up against these
237 bullies and I was going to stand up, and I remember as I was walking down the hallway and there
238 was two people out in, in the hall, and they’re like, “Don’t do this Lois, it’s going to be bad.
239 They will come after us, even more.” And the one, I think her father was, I won’t say names at
240 all, but he worked in a field that, a veterinarian of animals. And, I’m like, “No. This is going to
241 stop.” I go, “This is ridiculous.” I mean, they’re making one child drink toilet water classmate.
242 They had another they literally, it was either her leg or her arm they broke. Can’t remember

243 because I'm older now and it's been a few years. And I'm like, so, I went in and took care of it
244 and, and they knew I was the one who, I got them on detention, they were sent away and it
245 stopped. But then, it's the courage. Us needing courage to stand up against the bullies, just like in
246 our society with what's happening. Anyone that damages another persons' property or oppresses
247 a person, it's not right. We have to have intelligent ways of dealing with things, coming together
248 as a whole, we're not hurting people to get what you want is, or for change, is not right. Unless
249 you've got to defend yourself and there's bullies that are coming after you and they're going to
250 physically harm you or do something, yes, everyone's got a right to protect themselves. And so,
251 that's where I'm talking about, we've got to have, like this happening to my son or myself just a
252 few weeks ago. I was in town, working, I had to go to the ghetto side of Milwaukee. I was out in
253 Waukesha and had to take a client over that way. And I ended up going—

254 D: Can you describe the area?

255 L: It was, you know, I don't remember what street it was, but it was more on the North side.
256 Over that, in that area.

257 D: Near Capitol, North Avenue, Center, Burleigh?

258 L: Okay, it'd be down more like, past, it would be then past 55th street, down—

259 D: Going east?

260 L: Going east. Over, over that way. And it was the area where it really wasn't that bad yet, or
261 anything. But I had the right of way with this car going around and this other one person wanted,
262 was just speeding along on my right-hand side illegally, and slammed on their brakes because
263 they were mad because I was going around and pulled a gun on me. Just a few weeks ago. It was
264 a handgun, like a, semi-automatic long clip. And I'm trying to duck, you know, so this is just

265 recent that this happened. So, and this, this gentleman that maybe I shouldn't call him, but this
266 gentleman that pulled the gun, and I'm trying to be very nice about it, (laughter) you wonder,
267 what's going through his head. And then you think about how the courage it took for him to slam
268 on the brakes, go, and to pull that gun and the anger that's inside of him. Where his mindset is
269 and how he had to be, just thinking all that energy and all that power, if it could only have been
270 used for good. And the promise, you know, because he wasn't a lazy couch potato. Obviously,
271 he was, you know, but and so how do we go about things to bring about peace and unity and no
272 oppression and everybody be equal.

273 D: I have a, I have a question. When the guy pulled the gun on you, what did you say or what did
274 he say?

275 L: Nothing. The windows were up, it was a hot day, air conditioning, he had his down, his
276 window down when he pulled a gun. My window on that side of the car was up. So, he didn't
277 say anything, he just stopped, looked at me, pulled a gun out, pointed it at me. And then, I was
278 trying to duck and he pulled off.

279 D: Thank God.

280 L: Yeah, yeah. I mean—

281 D: How long did you stay ducked?

282 L: Not very long, not very long. 'Cause like, even though you're like ducking down, you can still
283 kind of see you know. So, he didn't stay there for long at all, which, I'm glad.

284 D: So, after you come up, you see he's gone, what did you do?

285 L: I proceeded to drive and go, "Did that just really happen?"

286 D: Oh my God.

287 L: This dude just pulled a gun on me. I was like, "Wow." Then I started to think about how,
288 okay, I ducked for safety because intellectually and intelligently that's what you do, but I'm like,
289 I didn't have a lot of fear. And I'm driving and I'm like, "Okay, I wasn't like super afraid." And
290 I'm like, what is that?

291 D: You weren't nervous to drive?

292 L: No, I was like, just driving. Of course, my heart was boom-boom (laughter). You know. And,
293 (inaudible) So, it had just made me then again think about, well this is what we're talking about
294 today, and how this touches a lot of people and a lot of people's lives. And we just, we have to
295 come up with new ideas. Because this has been something that's been ongoing for years, upon
296 years, upon years and I haven't looked up the latest stats on it, but I don't think it's gotten better.
297 So, it's time for, I don't want to say leadership because I believe we're all equal and we all work
298 together, collaborate as a team. I don't believe in setting out this leader because that's where you
299 can get corruption, when you have one person at the helm leading things. It has to be a team
300 effort, it has to be within volunteerism, because then there's less room for that corruption. And to
301 swaying something or sway it one way or another. And I think that I don't have all the answers
302 yet, but I do know from what I've experienced now in life that yes, there's an issue and we all
303 want peace, we all want unity. But some people when they say they want peace, they're going to
304 take it by force and they're going to dictate to people, like communism and bring it in the press.
305 Or they're going to put out unlawful mandates, where that's, that's a way to get peace. But that's
306 not a healthy peace, that's a peace under dictatorship. We need peace where everyone's free.
307 Everyone has a right to speak their mind. Things don't get censored because everyone has a right
308 to speak what's in their heart. And that's okay because we're all intelligent enough to, and that's

309 another thing in society of why I feel things are going the way they are because people are being
310 oppressed and treated like two-year-olds versus us all getting to be and act like adults and
311 individuals and get these, these people in certain positions who, they think they know what's best
312 for everyone and they have the right to think. No, no, no, you were born the same way I was.
313 You put your pants on one leg at a time, like I do. You're not smarter than everybody else, and
314 so, you don't have a right to oppress others and put your way of thinking on them. Anyone who,
315 as Dr. Qatar says, oppresses their idea and pushes their will upon you, is not a healthy individual.
316 We all have the right to live free. And sovereign and divine. And people would just begin to
317 understand this, we can morph into something so beautiful. Because there's different ways of
318 getting peace, but we want peace the right way. And it's like a caterpillar as it goes into its'
319 cocoon and morphs into this beautiful butterfly. We need to take this old; this needs to morph
320 into something beautiful. But in order to do that, we've got to come up with a whole new way of
321 thinking, because the old stuff doesn't work.

322 D: That was beautiful. (pause) How would you say that this experience affected you and your
323 family?

324 L: It brought on definitely stress and then especially, the fallout, the aftermath then of my son's
325 death. Which, it's very complicated so, going into it right now probably wouldn't be a good idea,
326 but I watched my son's brothers and sisters go through an immense amount of pain. And they did
327 good getting through it, strong people, strong. But the pain, that was hard on the family. You
328 know, with these, that type of incident happening to him and then the aftermath was, it put a
329 challenge on us and some hurdles that we had to overcome.

330 D: You, you mention the aftermath, may I ask, how did your son die?

331 L: (pause) I think, it probably be good if I talked about that. And I don't mind sharing it, but it's,
332 it's a little complicated.

333 D: Okay. I, the reason why I asked, I thought for some reason, it may have been possibly suicide,
334 that's why I asked. And, and you're saying, and you're maybe thinking that it wasn't, and it was
335 made to look like that. That's what it is?

336 L: Mhmm.

337 D: That's what God was giving me a sense of.

338 L: You're very intuitive.

339 D: Mhmm. I'm so sorry.

340 L: Mhmm. (pause) I have some videos that my daughter and I watched, where this took place up
341 to a (inaudible) video. When we watched it after a couple of times, I had a little time to think
342 about it and put, start putting the pieces of the puzzle together. We knew that it wasn't what it
343 was stating at face value. I, so, (pause).

344 D: I'm so sorry. You know, sometimes things that you may not realize at the time could be the
345 evidence that is right there, when you mention the video. So, who's to say that—

346 L: I can't go into anything further—

347 D: Oh, no, no, no, I'm just saying.

348 L: Oh, no. And yes, yes, what you're saying is very correct. But for me, to pursue anything right
349 now would probably put myself and my other children in jeopardy.

350 D: Oh, no.

351 L: We'll have to leave it.

352 D: Okay.

353 L: As is at this point in time.

354 D: Okay. I pray everything comes to light.

355 L: Mhmm.

356 D: Well, you said pretty much what you think we can do to, that there's another way we need to
357 address gun violence. How do you think, do you think that the situation could've been avoided,
358 either, especially with yourself or with your son?

359 L: Could it have been avoided?

360 D: Mhmm. And that's a tough one, I know.

361 L: It is, just off the cuff, I would first have to say no. Because it's just there, you're literally not
362 doing anything wrong. Could I have maybe done something different in driving, maybe I
363 should've just stayed behind that car and not went around or who knows, there's nothing, you
364 know? It was higher degree in my mind, I had the right of way. Or my son, could he have maybe
365 just went to a dealer and bought a car? Or could he have not went to, but people do that every
366 day.

367 D: They do.

368 L: And go look at cars, you know, that a person saw in person, you don't know who it's going to
369 be an ambush or somebody that's setting something up. A game that they're trying to get money,
370 I mean, that kind of stuff has become even more prevalent in society. It's always been, but
371 there's and maybe it's because we talk about it more, or there's more ways of reporting it that we

372 know about more of it versus long ago, maybe it was happening a lot. But I think, even if you go
373 back to the sixties or fifties, sometimes maybe life was a little more wholesome. And you didn't
374 have—but now with the way society and the way things are ramping up, when you take president
375 Bush Sr. when he was talking about the New World Order, the NWO coming in and there's
376 nothing you can do to stop it. It adds a whole other flavor to society. And what's going on in the
377 oppression and the teams that are there covertly pushing towards this type of agenda. And so,
378 that's why we need a whole new way of dealing with everything, to bring about not a peace
379 that's brought about like communism, socialism, or oppression. But like, where people run the
380 world and I listen to other people's YouTube videos, you know, saying, "Come on America, we
381 need you to be the strong one and stand up, because if you fall, we all fall." You know, and none
382 of us want to be under a regime where we're all oppressed and being made slaves and there's no
383 middle class. And so, we're going to see an acceleration in stats in gun violence and look at
384 what's happened with the suicide rate. It's up what, one of the stats I heard it was quite a few
385 hundred percent.

386 D: Actually, in gun violence, suicide is the highest.

387 L: Yeah.

388 D: Of gun violence.

389 L: Yeah. And so, we, as people who care and understand and want freedom for all people and
390 unity and no one to be oppressed, we have got to become stronger. We have got to start doing
391 more, we can't leave it up to certain people who think that, "Oh, we can just go off and have fun
392 and just let them handle all the problems." You know? We as a society have to come up with a

393 whole new way of volunteerism and alleviating these oppressors that are bringing all this up.

394 Darkness and bad energy on us.

395 D: Do you have a photo that you'd like to share with your story?

396 L: Of my son?

397 D: It could be of your son, or you, or both.

398 L: I can see, yes, what I have and do that for you, yeah.

399 D: That'd be great. Do you have anything that you would like to say to our elected officials or
400 the community?

401 L: (pause) I think elected officials that we have in place right now need to really look at the
402 decision making process because as we look at what's happening, they are not making good
403 decisions I don't feel, at all. That's just my personal take on it. I feel there's a much healthier
404 way to go about this and I know that there's a lot of other people that feel that way also. And that
405 they need to realize that they work for us. We employ them, they are not dictators. They are to do
406 what the people want, what the people say. They need to be protecting our inalienable rights, our
407 constitution, our freedoms in a way that keeps everybody safe and healthy, without destroying
408 anyone. And when the keyer, as they say, outweighs the problem and causes more damage, that
409 solution, you know you have made a bad choice. You have made a very uneducated,
410 unintelligent choice. And so, if these leaders can't step up to the plate and work for us and make
411 intelligent decisions, then it's time that the people come together and make some changes. So,
412 I'm trying to put that very nicely and package it in a nice little box with a bow, but there's a lot
413 of people who are suffering immensely now because of very bad choices. And I think we need
414 to, for some reason, it's navigating towards this, this power trend is navigating towards what

415 President Bush Sr. spoke of and many others, and that needs to stop. And people need to come
416 together because we have a lot of like your son, my son, my son's friend who had to change his
417 whole life, and, and many, many others. We need to come up with, because it's not the car that
418 drove and ran those people down. It's not the knife that's stabbing that person. It's not the gun.
419 These are just props or these are just items, they don't have a mind, they can't do anything on
420 their own. We need a new solution. We need to come up with how we're raising our children,
421 and what's seen on television, and the propaganda that's put online and the television and how
422 things are, all the hatred and the violence. That has to stop. We need a society that's filled with
423 love and beauty and you even take, where Dr. Wayne Dyre talked about the Hutus and Tutsis
424 and that gets into a whole other thing. You know, the Hutus genocided the Tutsis, and anger and
425 how that all started. When you study that case study, you can see how that depicts some things
426 that's going on, in society, that happens all over the place. And we need to become like, what is
427 his name, he's a psychologist, Maxwell, I can't think of his name right now. And he did the
428 tipping point. And he did also, he spoke about outliers.

429 D: I can't think of his first name either.

430 L: What is the, I cannot think of it, and I just had his, I bought his whole book on audio and I was
431 just listening to it and he was talking about the tipping point in Paul Revere, and why one
432 gentleman who went out to warn that the British were coming and the other one, and Paul Revere
433 and why he, his name, he was successful and why this one wasn't, it's an excellent case study.
434 And we need to become now, like that Paul Revere, and the, and the other gentleman, let's give
435 him credit. But we have to get out there and start doing something about it and we have to start
436 organizing, because I think our world is just headed in a direction where it shouldn't be at this
437 point in time. And even I was going to school for a while to become a police officer and we were

438 talking and studying recidivism rates. And how low they are, well why is that? You know, so,
439 there's a lot of, we've got a lot of data and experience and history staring us in the face and I just
440 think, I don't know, I just really think there's a way out of it, but it's not the way we're handling
441 things.

442 D: Before I stop the recording, is there anything you'd like to add?

443 L: Not at this time, that I can think of. I know we covered quite a bit, so just—

444 D: You answered some of the questions before I even asked them (laughter), you did!

445 L: I just, I just want to be able to move forward and become a person that can help others try and
446 understand that pain. And I want to be able to really talk to people and help them, give them that
447 beacon of light and that hope and help them through. So, even though it took their son, or it took
448 their daughter, or it took their husband, wife, so that it doesn't take you, too.

449 D: That's perfect. Did you want me to end it there? That's perfect, oh my gosh.

450 PART TWO 1:03

451 D: Thank you for agreeing to, to do this. And I'm going to read what we have here for the
452 questions. So, it says here, basically, thank you for agreeing to share your story with me today.
453 I'll be asking you what you recall about the event and how this experience has affected you. I ask
454 that you talk about other people in general terms whenever possible versus using their real name,
455 so as to help protect their privacy. Also remember that if you feel uncomfortable answering
456 certain questions, we can skip them and if you need a break, or to stop completely at any point,
457 we can do that. Do you have any questions or concerns? And are you ready to start?

458 L: Ready to start.

459 D: Okay. And say something again.

460 L: Hello.

461 D: Okay, yeah, you're, I'm picking you up. Can you tell me a little bit about yourself?

462 PART THREE 1:46

463 D: Okay. When you're ready.

464 L: Okay, and do you want me to say that it's the beginning.

465 D: Yeah, you can say every-anything you want to say.

466 L: Okay. There's a book that I started to write that I'm hoping, I've got the first draft done,
467 starting on my second draft and once I get this done, you know, I want to get this published. And
468 I want it to be used as a tool to help people who are going through a tragedy as well, to give them
469 hope. And give them strength and comfort that there's other people that understand the pain
470 they're going through. And so, I have, as a title right now, An Open Secret: A Suicidal Escape.
471 The strength of the human mind, what choice would you make? The death of a child as a
472 profound, astounding effect on one's physical and mental wellbeing. What if there was a tragic
473 death, of your own flesh and blood? Your own grown child, your heart is pounding, you can't
474 really make out what other people are saying to you, all around you, in the distance. There's a
475 big black hole that wants to swallow you up completely. The darkness calls out your name,
476 beckons you to come closer throughout the day and into the night, as you become weary. The
477 only escape is when you fall asleep, into a deep, deep sleep. Which is not very often at this time,
478 given the circumstances of life, right now. (pause)

479 D: That's good.