

**Total People Killed by Concealed Carry Killers  
May 2007 to the Present**

The following vignettes describe the circumstances for all killings (private citizen, law enforcement, mass shootings, murder-suicide) not ruled self-defense by private individuals legally allowed to carry concealed handguns. The descriptions include the current, known status of any charges filed against the concealed carry killer as reported by news sources as well as noting instances where the perpetrator committed suicide.

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## Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tykee Smith

**PENDING**

**Date:** August 2, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 2, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Tykee Smith, 19, allegedly shot and killed Charles David Thomas, 20, following an argument. Thomas had reportedly been in an argument with Smith's mother, with whom Thomas had fathered two children. According to police, Thomas and Smith got into an argument outside a residence and after the argument escalated the two exchanged gunfire. Thomas was struck and died at the scene. Smith was questioned by detectives and released after claiming self defense in the shooting, but a warrant was later issued for his arrest. Smith turned himself in and was released a short time later on a \$2,500 bond. Smith has been charged with murder.

Source: "19-year-old killed the 20-year-old father of his 2 half-siblings in self-defense, attorney says," *al.com*, August 6, 2014.

## Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tracey Grissom

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** May 15, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On May 15, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Tracey Grissom, 30, allegedly shot and killed her ex-husband Hunter Daniel Grissom, 28, as he stood next to his vehicle at the Binion Creek boat landing. Tracey Grissom told investigators that she pulled into the parking lot to take a picture for use in a pending lawsuit and her ex-husband saw her sitting in her car. According to Tracey “he gave her a mean look and an obscene gesture.” She told investigators that she exited her vehicle and “shot him until the gun was empty.” Deputies found Hunter Grissom lying face down next to his vehicle. According to the Tuscaloosa County Sheriff, there has been previous domestic violence cases involving the couple. Grissom was arrested and charged with murder.

**UPDATE:** On August 7, 2014, Tracey Grissom was found guilty of murder in the death of her ex-husband. On September 2, 2014, Grissom was sentenced to 25 years in prison.

Source: “Tracey Grissom sentenced to 25 years in prison for killing her ex-husband,” *myfoxal.com*, September 2, 2014; “Tracey Grissom convicted of murdering allegedly abusive ex-husband; prosecutors said she wanted \$103,000 in insurance,” *al.com*, August 7, 2014; “Updated: Woman charged with murder in ex-husband’s shooting death at Lake Tuscaloosa boat landing,” *al.com*, May 15, 2012.

## Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Bart Johnson

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 3, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Law Enforcement Officers Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 3, 2009, Bart Johnson shot and killed Pelham, Alabama, police officer Philip Davis during a routine traffic stop. Officer Davis had stopped Johnson for speeding. According to videotape from the officer's patrol car, Davis and Johnson spoke briefly, and Davis then went to write Johnson a ticket. Upon his return, Johnson told Davis that his brother was a police officer. Officer Davis replied, "Why didn't you tell me that before? Let me have his name and number so I can tell him what happened." Then, "unprovoked and without a word, Johnson fired one shot, striking Davis in the face." Johnson fled the scene, abandoned his Acura, and attempted to break into another vehicle. When he was noticed by someone, Johnson displayed his gun and waved the person away. He was later picked up by his brother and surrendered to authorities. A local pharmacist, Johnson obtained a concealed weapons permit in 2007 and renewed it in 2008 and 2009. He is charged with capital murder.

**UPDATE:** On May 12, 2011, Bart Johnson was found guilty of capital murder in the death of Officer Davis. He was convicted on two counts, one for the murder of an off-duty police officer and one for causing death by shooting into an occupied vehicle. On June 16, 2011, Johnson was sentenced to death by lethal injection.

Source: "Bart Johnson sentenced to death," *shelbycountyreporter.com*, June 16, 2011; "Bart Johnson guilty, jury recommends death," *www.myfoxal.com*, May 12, 2011; "Pharmacist charged in officer's killing had permit for weapon," *The Birmingham News*, December 8, 2009; "Pelham police officer's slaying baffles investigators," *The Birmingham News*, December 5, 2009.

## Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Laquintta Turk

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** July 23, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On July 23, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Laquintta Turk, 23, shot and killed Rosetia Smith, 24, in a parking lot. The shooting occurred during a confrontation involving two other women—Tiffany Allen and Lashan Catlin, both 23—over the fact that Allen’s sister had had a baby with Catlin’s ex-high school boyfriend. Turk, Catlin, and two other women were waiting in a car in a parking lot to confront Allen in a pre-arranged meeting. Allen eventually arrived in a car driven by Smith containing Smith’s three children (all under age six) and her boyfriend Cameron Marshall. Smith then “profanely told the women to get out of their car” according to testimony. Lashan Catlin then got out of Turk’s car and slapped Smith through her car window. Marshall testified that he then saw Laquintta Turk’s gun go off and that he tried to drive away, steering from the passenger seat. Turk’s shot struck and killed Rosetia Smith, with the bullet that killed her landing at the foot of her oldest child. Turk testified that she fired only after seeing Marshall reach under his seat, although no gun was found in the car. During the trial, Prosecutor Mike Philpott told jurors, “This is a case about a woman who brought a gun to a fist fight, and the tragedy that resulted.” Laquintta Turk was convicted of reckless murder and faces up to life in prison.

Source: “Laquintta Turk guilty of reckless murder of Rosetia Smith,” *al.com*, August 12, 2010.

## Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael McLendon

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** March 10, 2009

**People Killed:** 11 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On March 10, 2009, Michael McLendon, a self-proclaimed survivalist, killed his mother at their family home, beginning a shooting rampage that stretched across 24 miles. By the time McLendon took his own life in the midst of a police shootout at a factory where he had previously worked, he had shot four more relatives, including his 74-year-old grandmother, and five strangers, including the wife and 18-month-old daughter of a local sheriff's deputy. McLendon had a concealed handgun permit for two handguns. Police later found at the home he shared with his mother numerous how-to DVDs on committing acts of violence.

Source: "Officials: Alabama shooter depressed over failures," *Associated Press* at [philstar.com](http://philstar.com), March 13, 2009.

## Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kathy Lowe

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** November 11, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 11, 2008, concealed handgun permit holder Kathy Lowe shot and killed her husband, David Lowe, in the backyard of the couple's home. Lowe claimed the shooting was in self-defense. Lowe told investigators that her husband, a retired District Attorney Sheriff's investigator, was ill and not expected to live beyond a year and that his temper had worsened as his health deteriorated. During an interrogation the night of the shooting, Lowe told investigators that when her husband had complained of feeling ill that night she had joked, "Are you wanting me to shoot you, David?" Her husband then picked up one of the 20 guns the couple kept in their home and followed her around the house, threatening to kill her, and not allowing her to leave. According to Lowe, her husband was a "hunter and collector" who "always made sure a gun was in reach in every room of the house." Kathy Lowe then got a gun of her own and eventually went out to the couple's backyard. David Lowe followed her outside and according to Kathy Lowe started yelling and prepared to shoot her. She shot him once in the arm and then "blindly" shot him twice more, killing him. During the trial, prosecutors argued that Lowe had planned to kill her husband. In support, they cited: discrepancies in her version of events as told to law enforcement; evidence of a boyfriend; three life insurance policies on David Lowe, one taken out a month before his death; her recent procurement of the concealed handgun permit; the recent signing by David Lowe of a long-drafted do-not resuscitate order; and, the fact that she had made phone calls the night of the killing, but never called 911. In August 2010, a mistrial was declared in Lowe's trial. A new date is being set for her retrial.

**UPDATE:** In March 2012, Kathy Lowe pled guilty to manslaughter and was sentenced to three years of probation in the shooting of her husband David Lowe.

Source: "Kathy Lowe pleads guilty to manslaughter, receives probation in shooting death of husband," *al.com*, March 19, 2012; "Mistrial declared in Kathy Lowe trial," *The Sand Mountain Reporter*, August 3, 2010; "Lowe relives moment the gun went off," *The Sand Mountain Reporter*, August 3, 2010; "Marshall County Jury Deliberates Murder Case," *whnt.com*, August 2, 2010; "Prosecutor: Insurance, lover led to death," *The Sand Mountain Reporter*, July 29, 2010; "Marshall County Woman Faces Jury for Killing Husband," *whnt.com*, July 28, 2010.

## Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jeffery Tyrone Riggs

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 10, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 10, 2008, concealed handgun permit holder Jeffery Tyrone Riggs, allegedly shot and killed his estranged girlfriend Norber Payne, 40, after she had ended their seven-year relationship. Riggs' attorney claims that Riggs acted in self defense, that he did not intend to kill Payne but shot her when he saw the black handle of a knife or fork in her hand in a dark hallway. The prosecution said that Riggs kicked in Payne's door, ran down the hall and "assassinated" her in her bed by shooting her four times with a 50 caliber Desert Eagle pistol before running away. After the shooting, Riggs called sheriff's dispatchers saying, "This is Jeffery Riggs. I just shot my baby mama. You can come and get me." Riggs had renewed his concealed carry permit annually for 15 years. In 2010 Riggs was convicted of capital murder and sentenced to death. In May 2013, the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals overturned Riggs' death sentence and conviction because the trial judge did not accurately charge the jury, causing Riggs to be convicted of capital murder rather than manslaughter. Riggs' new trial on capital murder charges began in January 2015.

**UPDATE:** On February 4, 2015, Jeffery Tyrone Riggs was found guilty of capital murder in the death of Norber Payne. On April 20, 2015, Riggs was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Source: "Man won't return to Alabama death row for killing his estranged girlfriend, who was also his cousin," *al.com*, April 20, 2015; "Re-trial underway for Alabama Death Row inmate convicted of shooting woman 4 times," *al.com*, January 28, 2015.



## Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Joshua Noel Jones

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 8, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 8, 2008, concealed handgun permit holder Joshua Noel Jones, 22, shot and killed 15-year-old Daniel Wayne “Danny” McKinnon. According to news reports, the two were traveling in a Chevrolet Z71 pick-up truck with two other friends—Alicia Algier, 23, and Justin Whiddon—after having visited a Wal-Mart and getting breakfast at a Waffle House restaurant. According to news reports, the three males were apparently “dry-firing” (pulling a gun’s trigger presumably without a bullet in the chamber) handguns at one another in the truck when Jones shot McKinnon with his 40 caliber handgun. When Algier was asked why she didn’t do anything to stop the males from dry-firing their guns, she stated, “It concerned me. They’re guys, I been told they do it all the time, dry firing their guns.” Whiddon also dry-fired a .22 handgun—owned by Algier—at Jones. In court, Algier stated, “I keep it for safety because I’m a woman.” Police retrieved three handguns and four rifles from the truck after the shooting. After allegedly shooting McKinnon, Jones did not give police an official statement, instead asking for an attorney. According to police he did, however, state that the handgun went off accidentally. Jones was charged with manslaughter and was convicted and sentenced to 12 years in prison.

Source: “Judge finds probably cause for manslaughter case in teen shooting,” *The Dothan Eagle*, February 2, 2008; “Top 10 of 2008: #10: Gun accidents claim lives of two Wiregrass teens,” *The Dothan Eagle*, December 21, 2008.

## Arizona

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Voden

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** November 9, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 9, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Voden, 72, shot and killed his neighbor Randy Burnett following a dispute over a dog. According to news reports, Burnett entered Voden's yard to retrieve his dog Scooter who was running around Voden's yard and barking. Voden called 911 after hearing the dog, but despite the 911 dispatcher urging him to stay in his house, Voden went outside to confront Burnett. According to the 911 call, Voden was heard saying, "Get this, get this [expletive] dog out of my yard right now." Voden shot Burnett four times in the chest and back during the confrontation. Burnett's wife testified that her husband was not threatening Burnett and had his hands up in the air when Voden shot him. Voden claimed Burnett was walking toward him as though he intended to overpower him and take his Glock pistol. On May 29, 2015, Voden was found guilty of manslaughter and faces a sentence of seven to 21 years in prison.

Source: "Voden convicted of manslaughter," *Payson Roundup*, May 29, 2015; "Voden Murder Trial Court Date Det," *Payson Roundup*, September 2, 2014; "Payson man Michael Alan Voden accused of killing neighbor over dispute about dog," *abc15.com*, November 20, 2013.

## Arizona

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Thomas Bodine

**PENDING**

**Date:** June 15, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On June 15, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Thomas Bodine, 67, allegedly shot and killed his 64-year-old wife as she was sleeping. Bodine told police that he arrived at his home to find his wife dead with a pillow over her face and a gun in her hand. Yet, the police investigation quickly found numerous inconsistencies in his story, including the fact that wife had no blood on her hands which would indicate she was not shot at close range, ruling out suicide. Bodine, who was diagnosed with clinical depression approximately two years earlier, was arrested on suspicion of first degree murder.

Source: "Glendale man accused in wife's shooting death," *Tucson Citizen*, June 19, 2012.

## Arkansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Edward Charles Lee

**PENDING**

**Date:** October 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** In October 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Edward Charles Lee, 35, allegedly shot and killed Tonio Deshun Davis, 22, following an altercation. According to Lee's attorney, Davis became angry after being "roasted" during a drinking session with family members. Davis began to argue with a third man when Lee got his gun and fired 10 shots in an attempt to end the dispute. At that point, Davis turned and approached Lee who, according to his attorney, fired another warning shot before closing his eyes and "firing three times, fatally wounding Davis." Lee was charged with first degree murder and claimed he acted in self defense. However, prosecutors say that Davis was talking on the phone with his grandmother when he was killed and was unarmed. Prosecutors told jurors that Lee "gunned down" Davis for no good reason.

Source: "Self-defense claim opens murder trial," *Arkansas Democrat Gazette*, February 26, 2014.

## Arkansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Solomon Davis

**PENDING**

**Date:** September 15, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 15, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Solomon Davis allegedly shot and killed Timothy Lemont Prackett at the Steeple chase Apartments in West Memphis. According to news reports, witnesses said that Prackett was in an argument with several people over parking spaces. After the shooting, Prackett ran and then collapsed.

Source: "Man shot over parking space, suspect in custody," *wmctv.com*, September 16, 2010.

## Arkansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Vincent Williams

**PENDING**

**Date:** February 21, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 21, 2010, 30-year-old Lashawn Davis was allegedly shot and killed by Vincent Williams, 31, outside an E-Z Mart convenience store in Jefferson County. Several witnesses told police that the two men had shot one another. According to a police report, Davis was found slumped in the driver's seat of a 1999 gold Mercury Grand Marquis with his feet hanging out of the car and his body facing south. A .45 handgun was found nearby. Police found Williams on the south side of the store, bleeding, with a 9mm handgun nearby. Both men were transported to a local hospital where Davis was pronounced dead and Williams was taken into surgery. Williams reportedly told police that Davis had tried to steal his car. Williams had a concealed handgun permit.

Source: "PB Police Investigate 5<sup>th</sup> Slaying;" *Pine Bluff Commercial*, February 23, 2010.

## Arkansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Phillips

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** November 1, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 1, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder William Phillips, 63, allegedly shot and killed 62-year-old auto dealer John Robert Baugh Jr. Phillips surrendered to Little Rock police approximately 10 minutes after Baugh's body was found in his crashed red Ford Crown Victoria. Phillips and Baugh, a father of two, reportedly knew each other from auto auctions Baugh conducted. Phillips told police that he had stopped to urinate by the side of the road when Baugh pulled up in his car, threatened to "knock his head off," and then attacked him with a weapon. Police became suspicious of Phillips' story when his description of the alleged weapon used by Baugh was inconsistent and the weapon itself was never found. Their suspicions increased when, despite the fact that Phillips claimed that the shooting occurred outside the vehicle, a bullet was found inside the car. Phillips son, Billy, testified that there had been a prior confrontation between the two men. Billy stated that his father told him that if there were any further conflict he would "take care" of the situation himself. Phillips was charged with first-degree murder and released on \$25,000 bond.

**UPDATE:** On September 28, 2011, a court upheld William Phillips' conviction of second degree murder and sentence to 20 years in prison plus an additional eight years for the use of a firearm.

Source: *Phillips v. State of Arkansas*, No. CACR11-270, (Ark. Ct. App., Sep. 28, 2011); "Murder suspect's bond restored 'Stay away' from witnesses and slain man's family, judge warns," *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette*, July 2, 2010.

## California

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Richard Vithya Tauch

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 19, 2010

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On January 19, 2010, Richard Vithya Tauch allegedly shot and killed his ex-girlfriend Jenny Van Sor and her new boyfriend Wen Chao. The shooting occurred at the senior facility where Chao's father lived. Tauch had a permit to carry a firearm as a security guard. Tauch was booked for investigation of the double murder and held in lieu of \$1 million bail.

**UPDATE:** On November 19, 2013, Richard Vithya Tauch was found guilty of two counts of first degree murder in the deaths of Jenny Van Sor and Wenwa Chao. On June 19, 2014, Tauch was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Source: "Corona man sentenced to life in prison," *Los Angeles Times*, June 20, 2014; "Man accused of gunning down ex-girlfriend and companion in Monterey Park senior housing complex," *Los Angeles Times*, January 20, 2010..



## California

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James Thomas Boll

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 18, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 18, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder James Thomas Boll, 68, shot and killed Charles John Morrison, 48, his neighbor at the Mount Vista Mobile and RV Park. Boll fired at Morrison 15 times with a 45 caliber pistol, hitting him with 11 rounds. Aiming at his head and center of his body, Boll stopped to reload after firing his first eight shots, and continued shooting Morrison as he lay on the ground. Conflict between the two men had been building for months. Morrison had parked his trailer on a space formerly used by Boll, an “avid cat lover.” He soon found 30 to 40 cats frequently defecating around the trailer, having become accustomed to visiting it when Boll occupied the space. Morrison reportedly told Boll that he hated cats and would shoot them. Boll’s efforts to clean up around Morrison’s trailer led to an additional confrontation when Morrison accused Boll of spying on his girlfriend through a trailer window. The triggering event occurred when Morrison left his truck running in the space between the two men’s trailers. The exhaust set off Boll’s carbon monoxide detector, leading him to claim that Morrison “...almost got away with the perfect murder.” The shooting occurred when Boll left his trailer to confront Morrison over the idling truck. Boll was found guilty of second-degree murder and faces a possible 40 years to life in prison.

Source: “Man found guilty of murder in shooting,” *ChicoER.com*, September 7, 2011; “Man charged in shooting takes stand,” *ChicoER.com*, September 2, 2011.

## Colorado

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Stefan Bloom

**PENDING**

**Date:** March 15, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 15, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Stefan Bloom, 26, allegedly shot and killed David Edwards, 53. A police “shot spotter” detected three gunshots at approximately 10:45 PM. When police arrived on the scene they found Edwards, shot in the head, lying partially inside the driver’s-side door of Bloom’s Subaru. Bloom, who claimed he acted in self-defense, was arrested and charged with first-degree murder. No further details about the circumstances of the shooting have been released by police.

Source: “Concealed carrier arrested in deadly shooting,” *9news.com*, March 17, 2015.

## Colorado

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Daniel Baker

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** April 17, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On April 17, 2012 concealed handgun permit holder Daniel Baker, 30, allegedly shot and killed Nicholas Carpenter, 21, and shot and injured Benjamin Williams, 33, and Joshua Fenderbosch, 29. According to news reports, Baker accompanied Fenderbosch's girlfriend to the home she shared with Fenderbosch. She told Baker that she and Fenderbosch had been fighting and that she was afraid she'd be assaulted if she went to the home alone. The girlfriend had told a friend that she brought Baker along for protection and that he had a gun, but that he should use it only to injure, not kill. The girlfriend paid Baker with drugs in advance for the protection. When they arrived, Carpenter, who also lived at the home, called Fenderbosch and told him that the two were talking about how she would "get back at him." Eventually, Fenderbosch and Williams arrived at the home. An argument ensued, and Baker claimed that Fenderbosch and his friends held him down and beat him. He then went into "fight mode to survive," drawing his gun and shooting the three men. But according to Fenderbosch and Williams, only Baker and Fenderbosch were fighting, Williams and Carpenter were not involved. They claim that Baker opened fire on the two unarmed men and that even after the fight between Fenderbosch and Baker had ended, Baker kept shooting. Williams recalled saying, "Dude, why are you shooting people?" Williams told police that Baker shot Carpenter a second time while he was on the ground, and then turned the gun on him, firing twice. Baker faces charges of first degree murder.

**UPDATE:** On July 24, 2013 Daniel Baker pleaded "no contest" to charges of criminally negligent homicide and misdemeanor drug possession in the death of Nicholas Carpenter. Baker was sentenced to a four-year deferred sentence on the homicide count and 435 days in jail for drug possession. In May 2013, Baker was acquitted on attempted murder charges for the wounding of Benjamin Williams and Joshua Fenderbosch. The jury hung on the first degree murder charge and Williams accepted the plea deal to avoid another trial and a potential life sentence.

Source: "Pueblo murder suspect who claimed self defense reaches plea agreement," *The Pueblo Chieftain*, July 24, 2013; "Judge To Decide Triple Shooting Suspect's Fate," *11news*, May 23, 2012; "One killed, two hurt in Pueblo shooting," *www.coloradoconnection.com*, April 18, 2012.

## Colorado

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** David Lee Noriega

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** September 16, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 16, 2008, David Lee Noriega allegedly shot and killed Clay Frank Eldred at 11:00 PM outside a scrap yard where Noriega was employed as a security guard. Noriega said he fired five shots from his AR-15 assault pistol to warn Eldred—who he claimed charged him with a baseball bat—and another unidentified man. Detectives stated, however, that there were no signs Eldred had tried to enter the scrap yard. According to an affidavit, after the shooting Noriega reportedly made comments to a fellow security guard that they needed to move Eldred’s body onto the scrap yard property and “make it look like the guy he shot had a weapon.” The fellow security guard eventually pled guilty to a misdemeanor count of prohibited use of a firearm. Felony charges of accessory to reckless manslaughter and tampering with physical evidence were dismissed as part of a plea agreement. The night of the shooting Noriega was also armed with a 454 caliber handgun and had loaned his fellow security guard a 40 caliber handgun. Noriega, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with reckless manslaughter and tampering with physical evidence. On December 31, 2009, Noriega pleaded guilty to criminally negligent homicide.

Source: “Scrapyard security guard pleads guilty in fatal Colo. shooting,” *amm.com*, January 4, 2010; “Police arrest second guard as accessory: The man is held on suspicion of tampering with physical evidence in a fatal shooting at a scrap yard,” *The Pueblo Chieftain*, September 20, 2008; “Security guard pleads guilty to misdemeanor,” *The Pueblo Chieftain*, February 27, 2009.

## Connecticut

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Guillermo Rodriguez

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** August 2, 2015

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On August 2, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Guillermo Rodriguez, 43, shot and killed his girlfriend Ingrid Del Rio-Garcia with a 45 caliber handgun, 37, before using a 10mm handgun to kill himself. Officers investigated after family members reported having no contact with Del Rio-Garcia for about 24 hours. After entering the home shared by the couple, police found Rodriguez dead from an apparent gunshot wound to the head, and Del Rio-Garcia dead from multiple gunshot wounds to the chest and arm. According to police, the couple had been together for at least 10 years and there was no reported history of domestic violence between the couple.

Source: "East Haven Police: Shooter Threatened Girlfriend Before Murder-Suicide," *The Hartford Courant*, August 5, 2015; "Update: East Haven Police Provide Details of the Murder/Suicide on Foxon Boulevard," *patch.com*, August 5, 2015.

## Connecticut

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Sapone

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** April 14, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On April 14, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder William Sapone, 61, died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head. When Sapone failed to return as expected from a boating trip, his wife went to look for him. After she was unable to locate his car she alerted police. A search ensued, assisted by the U.S. Coast Guard. Police found Sapone's rowing scull on Cockenoe Island. Officers searched the island on foot and discovered his body a short distance away. The state's medical examiner ruled Sapone's death a suicide caused by a gunshot to his head.

Source: "Autopsy: Fairfield boater died from self-inflicted gunshot," *Connecticut Post*, April 15, 2015.

## Connecticut

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Angela Grasso-Cunha

**PENDING**

**Date:** April 9, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On April 9, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Angela Grasso-Cunha, 27, allegedly shot and killed Jose Mendez, 23. She had been dating Mendez for three weeks and said Mendez had threatened to kill her and her family. Grasso-Cunha told police that Mendez had accused her of flirting with his sister, cheating on him, and giving him an STD, and had threatened to kill her and her family if she didn't give him \$600. During a car ride in West Hartford, Connecticut, while Mendez was driving, Grasso-Cunha pulled out a Glock 9mm pistol from her handbag and fired a round into his head. After the shooting, the car crashed into a fence and Grasso-Cunha called 911. According to the judge in the case, a person claiming self-defense must have a reasonable expectation that deadly force is about to be used against them. According to police, Grasso-Cunha admitted that there was no immediate threat or danger posed to her, but she said when Mendez turned to look at the Wendy's restaurant where he had decided to eat, she saw this as her only opportunity to stop him from following through on his threats. Grasso-Cunha was charged with first-degree manslaughter with a firearm.

Sources: "Plainville woman charged with manslaughter," *The Bristol Press*, April 11, 2014; "Woman Claims Self-Defense In Fatal West Hartford Shooting," *Hartford Courant*, April 10, 2014.

## Connecticut

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Allana Carey

**PENDING**

**Date:** January 2, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 2, 2012, concealed carry permit holder Allana Carey, 35, allegedly shot and killed her boyfriend Edward Landry, 44, at the Carrier Motor Lodge motel in Newington. Carey pleaded “not guilty” to a charge of murder and claimed that she shot Landry in self-defense when he threatened her with a knife.

Source: “Woman pleads not guilty to Connecticut town motel shooting,” *NorwichBulletin.com*, March 20, 2012.



## Connecticut

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Omar Thornton

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** August 3, 2010

**People Killed:** 9

**Circumstances:** On August 3, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Omar Thornton, 34, went on a shooting rampage at the beer distributorship where he worked, killing eight co-workers before taking his own life. The shooting began at a meeting where Thornton, a driver for the distributor, resigned after being shown video evidence of having stolen beer from the company. Then, according one witness in the meeting, “[H]e went out on this rampage. He was cool and calm. He didn’t yell. He was cold as ice. He didn’t protest when we were meeting with him to show him the video of him stealing....He just agreed to resign. And then he just unexplainably pulled out his gun and started blasting.” It was believed that Thornton had hidden the two handguns he used, including a Sturm, Ruger SR9 pistol, in his lunch box. According to his girlfriend’s mother, Thornton had planned to teach her daughter how to use a gun. Thornton had complained of racial harassment at the company but had not filed a complaint with the Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (the company denied the allegations). On his Facebook page Thornton listed Hoffman’s Gun Center & Indoor Range among his interests. According to documents obtained by the Violence Policy Center from the State of Connecticut, Thornton had a current Connecticut pistol permit that allowed him to carry concealed. The reason for the permit was “job.”

Source: “Man kills 8, self in Connecticut shooting rampage,” *Associated Press*, August 4, 2010; “Shooter: ‘Tell Everybody I Love Them and Goodbye,’” *Associated Press/NBC Connecticut*, August 4, 2010; Documents obtained by Violence Policy Center from State of Connecticut Department of Public Safety, September 24, 2010.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jeffrey Collie

**PENDING**

**Date:** September 7, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 7, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Jeffrey Collie, 71, allegedly shot and killed Ellyaher Ianza, 22, following a dispute outside a Winn-Dixie in Dania Beach, Florida. According to a police report, Collie heard from a friend that someone may have hit his truck which was parked at the Winn-Dixie. Collie allegedly waited until Ianza came out of the Dollar Store near the Winn-Dixie. Collie then confronted Ianza and the two men struggled while Ianza's friend went to call police. Collie claims that during the struggle, his gun misfired and struck Ianza once in the chest. Police said witnesses and surveillance video did not support his claim, and they believe Collie was the aggressor, first searching for Ianza, then confronting him and shooting him in the chest. Collie was arrested and charged with murder. Collie was able to obtain a concealed weapons permit despite a lengthy arrest record. Collie pleaded no contest to carrying a concealed weapon in 1987 and was convicted of a misdemeanor charge of child abuse the next year. He was also convicted on a marijuana charge in 2008 and was charged with possession of a weapon by a convicted felon, though that charge was later dropped.

Source: "Man accused in Dania Beach shooting arrested multiple times," *local10.com*, September 11, 2015; "Man Charged With Murder in Fatal Shooting at Winn-Dixie Plaza in Dania Beach: BSO," *nbciami.com*, September 8, 2015.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Robert Doyle

**PENDING**

**Date:** July 23, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On July 23, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Robert Doyle, 51, allegedly shot and killed Candelario Gonzalez, 44, following “an aggressive driving incident” in Citrus Hills, Florida. After the incident, Doyle drove to his home and pulled into his driveway. Gonzalez followed, and parked his car in front of the home. Doyle then approached Gonzalez’s car as Gonzalez stepped out of it. Police say Doyle then shot Gonzalez once before pausing and firing another shot. Doyle then paused again before firing three more shots. Gonzalez fell to the ground as he attempted to return to his car. Autopsy results showed three entry wounds to Gonzalez’s back. Doyle then ordered Gonzalez’s wife, child, and grandson out of the car and held them at gunpoint until police arrived. Doyle claimed he acted in self defense, while Gonzalez’s wife told police that Doyle was the aggressive driver and the only reason her husband drove to Doyle’s home was to get his address to file a complaint. According to a witness, Gonzalez backed away from Doyle before the shooting. On a 911 call by Doyle and his wife prior to the shooting, Doyle was recorded saying his gun “is cocked, locked, and ready to go,” and that he was going to “shoot the victim in the head” once they got to his home. Gonzalez’s wife could be heard in the background of the recording saying “don’t shoot” multiple times before five gunshots were heard. Doyle was arrested and charged with second degree murder and three counts of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Source: “Florida man killed in front of family after road rage,” *12newsnow.com*, July 24, 2015.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Anthony Martin

**PENDING**

**Date:** March 2, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 2, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Anthony Martin allegedly shot and killed Anton Fisher following an altercation outside the Hope Food Store. According to a preliminary investigation, Fisher was outside the store when an altercation took place between his friend and another man. Fisher pulled out a gun and threatened to shoot the other man. Martin saw the altercation and Fisher's gun. Fisher then allegedly pointed his gun at Martin. Martin then allegedly pulled out his own gun and shot Fisher, who died on the way to the hospital. The State Attorney's Office has yet to determine if any charges will be filed against Martin.

Source: "Tampa police investigating fatal shooting at Hope Food Store," *US State News*, March 3, 2015.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jamie Brunette

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** February 9, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 9, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Jamie Brunette, 30, shot and killed herself with her Smith & Wesson .380 handgun that she had purchased about six months earlier. Brunette was a Second Lieutenant in the United States Air Force and served in Afghanistan from August 2012 to March 2013. She left active duty in June 2014 and became a Captain in the Air Force Reserve.

Source: "Tampa reservist's suicide brings home tragedy," *Tampa Tribune*, February 22, 2015.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kevin Ahles

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** January 21, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 21, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Kevin Ahles, 23, left his two-year-old son Kaleb in his car while he was carrying boxes to help his family prepare for a move. Kaleb crawled across the front seat of the car and opened the glove compartment, where his father had left his .380 pistol that he carried for protection. Kaleb lifted the gun and pulled the trigger. The bullet struck him in the chest and he was pronounced dead at a nearby medical center. According to Kaleb's grandfather, a retired Tampa Police detective, Kevin Ahles was aware of the rules of gun safety saying, "He was talked to a million times...He took the class and everything."

Source: "Grandfather of toddler who shot himself: 'Guns and kids don't mix,'" *Tampa Bay Times*, January 22, 2015; "Pinellas toddler finds his father's gun, kills himself," *Tampa Bay Times*, January 21, 2015.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Randall Smith

**PENDING**

**Date:** March 31, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 31, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Randall Smith, 54, allegedly shot and killed his neighbor, Michael Carreiro, 47. Police reports say the two men were involved in a longstanding property dispute over Smith's efforts to maintain the easement along a road the neighbors shared. The day of the shooting, Smith was spraying herbicide on some poison ivy along the road when Carreiro's truck approached. According to Smith, Carreiro threatened to kill him and his family. Smith then pulled out a gun and fired 12 shots until Carreiro was face down on the ground. After pausing for a moment, Smith fired two more shots into Carreiro's back. Smith was charged with second degree murder.

Sources: "How did the neighbor dispute turn deadly?," *The Gainesville Sun*, April 12, 2014; "Gainesville Man Killed in Dispute with Neighbor," *mygtv.tv*, April 3, 2014.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Thomas Chambers

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** February 13, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 13, 2014, three-year-old Zuri Chambers picked up her father's pistol which was left on a table near the entrance to the family home and, with the gun four to six inches from her face, unintentionally shot herself. She was airlifted to a local hospital where she died a short time later. Her father, concealed handgun permit holder Thomas Chambers, 41, was charged with aggravated manslaughter of a child. According to police, Chambers said he left the gun on the table so he wouldn't forget it when he left for work. Chambers told them he carries the gun to work for safety reasons. According to investigators, this was the third time his daughter had played with a gun she had found in the home. According to the arrest report, the girl's mother told police she once woke up to her daughter pointing a gun at her. In another incident, the girl picked up a gun that was sitting on a laundry basket. According to police, Chambers did not believe his daughter was strong enough to pull the trigger of the pistol which had a 10-pound trigger pull. When officers conducted a walkthrough at the home following the shooting, they found a loaded pistol on top of a speaker in the Chambers' bedroom next to a playpen and an unloaded shotgun in the closet. If convicted, Chambers faces up to 30 years in prison.

**UPDATE:** On November 18, 2014, Thomas Chambers pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the unintentional shooting death of his three-year-old daughter. Chambers was sentenced to 10 years probation, and was required to complete 120 community service hours per year, as well as speaking about gun safety four times per year to schools, church groups, or other organizations. If the terms of his probation are violated, he could face up to 15 years in prison.

Source: "Former Lake Worth dad gets 10 years probation for accidental gunshot death of daughter, 3," *Sun Sentinel*, November 18, 2014; "Cops: Girl, 3, shot herself in head with dad's pistol," *hntv.com*, March 5, 2014.



## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Claudius Smith

**PENDING**

**Date:** January 16, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 16, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Claudius Smith, 32, allegedly shot and killed Ricardo Sanes, 21, with a 45 caliber handgun. According to news reports, Smith was with his girlfriend inside their home when, watching the video feed of the surveillance cameras they had for the house, she saw Sanes walking through their yard. Smith left the house to pursue Sanes, telling his girlfriend to lock the doors and windows. Watching the video feed, she then saw him jump over a fence in pursuit of Sanes and heard several gunshots. When police arrived, they found Sanes dead, having been shot in the back and neck. Six 45 caliber shell casings surrounded his body. Smith claimed self-defense. Examining Sanes' body, police found a Smith & Wesson .40 handgun in his pants, but stated that the firearm was so deep down in his pants "it was obvious it was never produced during the shooting." Smith was charged with second-degree murder.

Source: "Police charge man in MetroWest fatal shooting," *Orlando Sentinel*, January 17, 2014.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Curtis Reeves, Jr.

**PENDING**

**Date:** January 13, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 13, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Curtis Reeves, Jr., 71, allegedly shot and killed fellow moviegoer Chad Oulson, 43, after an argument broke out when Reeves, a retired Tampa police captain, complained about Oulson texting during the previews for the movie "Lone Survivor." Oulson's wife, Nicole, 33, was also shot with the same bullet that killed her husband when she put her hand in front of his chest right before Reeves fired. Prior to Reeves' firing the gun, a 380 caliber semiautomatic pistol, Oulson had thrown a bag of popcorn at him. Reeves was charged with second-degree murder.

Source: "Wesley Chapel theater shooting suspect had concealed weapon permit," *Tampa Tribune*, January 14, 2014.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Joseph Day

**PENDING**

**Date:** January 3, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 3, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Joseph Day, 45, allegedly shot and killed Kendra Michelle Nagy, 33, with a .38 revolver before attempting to kill himself with the same gun. Day and Nagy had been in a relationship for three to four years, but had broken up and then reconciled shortly before the shooting. On the night of the shooting, Nagy and Day were at the Overtime Sports Bar where she worked, and Day was reportedly belittling her before she left without him. The next morning when Nagy didn't show up for work, her co-workers went to her house where they encountered Day, bleeding from the head. According to police, a .38 revolver was found at the scene along with five spent shells. Nagy had been shot in the cheek at close range. According to medical personnel, Day was shot upward through the lower jaw with the bullet lodging in his head. Day is expected to recover. On January 7, 2014, Day was charged with murder.

Source: "Botched murder-suicide ends with arrest of 45-year-old Jacksonville man," *jacksonville.com*, January 7, 2014 .

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Joshua Henry

**PENDING**

**Date:** December 1, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 1, 2013, while being “playful,” Erin Steele, 20, unintentionally shot and killed her boyfriend, Justin Holt, 22, with a pistol owned by concealed handgun permit holder Joshua Henry, 23, who was visiting at the apartment of his friend Madison Flint. According to news reports, earlier Henry had been showing Steele, Holt, and others how to pull the slide of the gun back and operate the unloaded weapon. After the group, who had been drinking, were done handling the gun, Henry put the ammunition magazine back into the weapon and placed the pistol in his waistband. When wearing it became uncomfortable, he placed the weapon on the counter without telling anyone that it was now loaded. When Steele saw the pistol on the kitchen counter, she assumed it was still unloaded, “pointed it toward Justin in a playful manner,” and pulled the trigger. Holt was hit in the chest with one round and was later pronounced dead at a local medical center. Earlier, when the group had been handling the gun, Henry had told them that “you always assume that the handgun is loaded.” Erin Steele and Joshua Henry both face charges of manslaughter by culpable negligence.

Source: “Boca Raton police: Girlfriend says she fatally shot boyfriend by accident, didn’t know gun was loaded, *Palm Beach Post*, February 19, 2014; “Erin Steele, Joshua Henry charged in Boca Raton shooting death last December,” *www.wptv.com*, February 14, 2014.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Christian Joseph McKenzie  
**SHOT AND KILLED IN INCIDENT**

**Date:** November 14, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 14, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Christian Joseph McKenzie, 21, was shot and killed with his own gun. According to McKenzie's parents, he was last seen leaving their house on the morning of the shooting in his 1993 Toyota truck. Later that evening, police found his truck at the intersection of SW 232<sup>nd</sup> Street and SW 187<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Miami. The next morning, police found McKenzie's body near a canal approximately 12 miles from his parents' home. McKenzie had been shot in the upper torso. According to police, the area where McKenzie's body was found was often used for target practice by young people. On January 23, 2015, police recovered McKenzie's firearm and determined that he had been killed with his own gun. Physical evidence and witness statements led police to arrest Juan Salgado, 21, and charge him with second-degree murder with a deadly weapon, third degree grand theft, third-degree grand theft, third-degree grand theft with a firearm, and third-degree grand theft with a vehicle.

Source: "Imprisoned Man Charged in SW Dade Murder Case," *cbsmiami.com*, May 22, 2015, "Parents Ask For Help Solving Son's Death," *cbsmiami.com*, December 27, 2013.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Javier Ortoll

**PENDING**

**Date:** October 21, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On October 21, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Javier Ortoll, 78, allegedly shot and killed Edward Melone, 51. Melone was a tenant in a home owned by Ortoll and had reportedly fallen behind on his rent. According to a news report, Ortoll, who often carried a gun, went to the home Melone rented and allegedly shot and killed him. Ortoll was charged with second-degree murder.

Source: "Landlord accused in fatal shooting of tenant behind on rent," *foxnews.com*, October 22, 2013.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ian Burlakoff

### **SHOT AND KILLED BY POLICE**

**Date:** October 20, 2013

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On October 20, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Ian Burlakoff, 41, shot and killed his wife, Gemma, 37, with a handgun on a busy public street in Boca Raton, Florida. When law enforcement arrived, Burlakoff reached for his gun and was shot dead by police. The couple had four daughters, the oldest 12 years of age, the youngest a baby. The couple, married in 2005, reportedly had a volatile marriage, including calls to police, domestic violence, mental health issues, gambling debts, “outrageous” shopping sprees, a divorce filing, and allegations of infidelity. On the day of the shooting, the couple and their three oldest children were spending the day poolside at the Boca Raton Resort and Club. The couple got into a fight which ended with Ian Burlakoff shooting and killing his wife on the street.

Source: “Violent End for Wealthy Boca Raton Couple Came After Years of a Fiery Marriage, Planned Divorce,” *Florida Sun-Sentinel*, October 28, 2013.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Derek Medina

**PENDING**

**Date:** August 8, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 8, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Derek Medina, 31, posted on his Facebook page that he had killed his wife, Jennifer Alfonso, 26. Soon after, a picture of Alfonso, slumped over on the floor with blood on her on her face and arm, her knees bent and her legs bent behind her, appeared on the page. Several hours later Medina turned himself in to police. According to Medina's arrest affidavit, he and Alfonso got into an argument in their upstairs bedroom, during which he pointed a gun at her. Alfonso then told Medina she was leaving him. The argument continued in the kitchen, where she began punching him. Medina then went back upstairs and got his gun. As he returned to the kitchen, Alfonso grabbed a knife which Medina took away from her. She then began punching him, at which point, according to the affidavit, he shot her several times. Medina was held without bond on a first degree murder charge. Medina had told his neighbors in the townhouse complex where the couple lived that he was the neighborhood watch patrol.

Source: "Derek Medina, Florida Murder Suspect Who Posted Photo of Wife's Body, Denied Bond," [www.atlantadailyworld.com](http://www.atlantadailyworld.com), August 12, 2013.



## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Pedro Vargas

### **SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT**

**Date:** July 27, 2013

**People Killed:** 6

**Circumstances:** On July 27, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Pedro Vargas, 42, shot and killed six people at an apartment complex in Hialeah, Florida before being shot and killed by a police SWAT team. Officials identified those killed by Vargas as: Italo Piscioti, 79; Camira Piscioti, 69; Carlos Javier Gavilanes, 33; Patricio Simono, 64; Merly S. Niebles, 51; and, Priscilla Perez, 17. The incident began around 6:30 PM when Vargas lit his apartment on fire by burning \$10,000 in cash with a combustible liquid. Vargas's mother, who was in the apartment at the time, fled to safety. Seeing the smoke, building managers Italo and Camira Piscioti ran toward the apartment. They were met at the door by Vargas, who shot and killed them both. Vargas then walked out onto his balcony, firing 10 to 20 shots from his Glock 9mm pistol, killing Gavilanes who was standing in the parking lot of an apartment building across the street. Vargas then went one floor down and kicked in an apartment door before shooting Patricio Simono and his girlfriend Merly Niebles. Niebles' daughter Priscilla hid in the bathtub, but Vargas discovered her and shot and killed her. Vargas then continued firing randomly. Police arrived on the scene and returned fire. Vargas then entered another apartment where he took two hostages. Negotiators talked with Vargas but eventually a SWAT team entered the apartment and killed him, freeing the two hostages. Vargas took a two-hour introduction training course and a four-hour safety course at the Florida Gun Center in the fall of 2010 before obtaining his concealed weapons permit and purchasing a Glock 17 pistol. He reportedly had no known history of violence or mental illness.

Source: "Hialeah police chief details tense moments of hostage rescue," *Miami Herald*, July 29, 2013; "Little about Pedro Vargas' life sheds light on motive for Hialeah massacre," *Miami Herald*, July 28, 2013; "Shooter Set \$10,000 on Fire in Hialeah Shooting Rampage," *nbc6.com*, July 28, 2013.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jeffrey D. Walker

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** May 7, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On May 7, 2013, Jadarrius Speights, three, unintentionally shot himself with his uncle's 9mm handgun which he found in a backpack. Speights shared a bedroom with his uncle, concealed handgun permit holder Jeffrey D. Walker, 29. According to the sheriff's office, Walker stored his handgun unsecured in his backpack and when he left the room, Speights found the weapon and shot himself. He was taken to a nearby hospital where he died. Walker faces a charge of culpable negligence, a third-degree felony.

Source: "Uncle charged after Tampa boy, 3, fatally shoots himself," *The Tampa Tribune*, May 7, 2013.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Sherwood

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** March 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** In March 2013, concealed handgun permit holder William Sherwood, 65, shot and killed John Pratt, 64, following a traffic accident in Melbourne, Florida. According to news reports, Sherwood claimed that Pratt cut him off in traffic and repeatedly hit his brakes. Sherwood honked his horn, and “made a rude hand gesture.” Their cars collided as both attempted to make a right turn. Pratt got out of his vehicle and approached Sherwood’s door. Sherwood, a lifetime member of the National Rifle Association, claimed that Pratt reached in and punched him which made him fear for his life. Sherwood then pulled a 45 caliber 1911 pistol and shot Pratt twice, killing him. Sherwood claimed he acted in self defense, but prosecutors argued Pratt had been at Sherwood’s window for no more than 10 seconds when he was shot. A police report cited witnesses who said that Pratt “did not have a weapon, appear aggressive, or attack the defendant.” On September 17, 2014, Sherwood was found guilty of second degree murder. He faces a minimum of 25 years in prison and could receive up to a life sentence.

Source: “Man found guilty in Brevard County road-rage killing case,” *wftv.com*, September 17, 2014; “Road-rage beating preceded shooting, defendant testifies,” *floridatoday.com*, September 12, 2014; “Road rage killer on trial in Brevard claims self-defense,” *floridatoday.com*, September 10, 2014.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Krystal Caruso

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** February 20, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 20, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Krystal Caruso, 23 unintentionally shot and killed herself while playing with her 9mm handgun. According to her friend Jordan Coombs, Caruso often played with her handgun. Coombs said that her 16-year-old brother watched as Caruso spun the handgun in her hand and pointed it at her head. The gun fired and killed her. “I want to wake her up back from the dead just to punch her in the face and go, ‘Why were you being so stupid?’” Coombs said.

Source: “Krystal Caruso accidentally shot herself in head in front of friend,” *wpb.com*, February 20, 2013.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Dunn

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** November 23, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 23, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Dunn, 45, fired several shots into an SUV in which Jordan Davis, 17, was sitting with other teens at a gas station in southeast Jacksonville, Florida. Dunn had complained to the teens about loud music coming from the SUV. Although one passenger in the SUV turned down the music, Dunn claimed he heard the teens “cussing” at him and making threats and said to them, “...are you talking to me?” He also claimed he heard a verbal threat from one of the vehicle’s passengers and saw a shotgun barrel from inside the vehicle on the rim of a window, although police later found no gun in the car. Dunn’s lawyer claims that when he saw the shotgun he retrieved his gun from the glove compartment of his car, loaded it, and fired into the SUV, hitting and killing Davis. Dunn then drove away, telling his girlfriend that he had “fired at these kids.” He turned himself in the next day and now faces charges of murder and attempted murder.

**UPDATE:** On February 15, 2014, Michael Dunn was found guilty on four charges, including three attempted second-degree murder charges. However, the jury was unable to reach a verdict on the charge of murder. Each attempted second-degree murder charge carries a minimum sentence of at least 20 years in prison. According to State Attorney Angela Corey, prosecutors would press for a new trial on the murder charge.

**UPDATE:** On October 1, 2014, Michael Dunn was found guilty of first-degree murder in the death of Jordan Davis. He was sentenced to life in prison without the opportunity for parole.

Source: “Michael Dunn Sentenced to Life Without Parole for Loud Music Killing,” *www.nbcnews.com*, October 17, 2014; “Michael Dunn guilty of first-degree murder for killing Jordan Davis,” *news4jax.com*, October 1, 2014; “Dunn convicted of attempted murder; hung jury on murder in ‘loud-music’ trial,” *CNN*, February 16, 2014; “Suspect in gas station shooting claims teens had a shotgun,” *Actionnewsjax.com*, November 27, 2012; “Beachside man heading to Jacksonville to face charges in teen’s slaying,” *Florida Today*, November 27, 2012.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Gregory Burns

**PENDING**

**Date:** August 31, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 31, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Gregory Burns, 52, allegedly shot and killed Cristian Nunez, following an argument at the Elbo Room bar on Fort Lauderdale beach. According to police, Burns was asked to leave the bar after getting into an argument with another customer. As Nunez, a bouncer employed by the bar, was escorting Burns out, they began to fight. During the altercation, Burns allegedly shot Nunez in the stomach. Nunez was taken to the hospital and listed in critical condition. He later underwent multiple surgeries and treatments before dying from his injuries on March 23, 2014. Burns was initially charged with one count of aggravated battery with a firearm, but that charge was changed to manslaughter following Nunez's death.

Source: "Weston Man Arrested in Deadly Bar Brawl Investigation," *miami.cbslocal.com*, April 10, 2014; "Homicide charge expected in shooting of Elbo Room bouncer," *Sun Sentinel*, March 28, 2014.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kenneth Roop

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** July 25, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On July 25, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Kenneth Roop, 52, allegedly shot and killed door-to-door frozen meat and lobster tail salesman Nick Rainey, 30. Rainey, who was employed by Blue Ribbon Steak and Seafood and was with another salesman, had just knocked on the front door of Roop's home when Roop pulled into his driveway in his pick-up. As Rainey began to walk up to Roop, the permit holder drew a 9mm Glock pistol and shot Rainey in the shoulder. As Rainey lay on the ground wounded, Roop stated that he then shot him in the back of the head "for effect," killing him. Roop told investigators that Rainey should have respected the three no trespassing signs on his property and that he didn't warn Rainey before shooting him because, "I'm not going to give him a chance to do something to me; I was in fear." A neighbor who ran over to help Rainey said that as he bent over to help him, he heard Roop in his garage stating something along the lines of "I'll kill everybody or shoot everybody." A sheriff's deputy then arrived, and told Roop to drop his gun. Said the neighbor, "When he came out of the garage, he looked totally deranged to me. He looked like he was off the deep end." Seven years earlier, Roop had threatened with a gun a female meter reader who was on his property, pointing the weapon "at her heart." He was acquitted of the charge of improper exhibition of a weapon. The former prosecuting attorney in the case told reporters, "This guy had a screw loose," adding, "I knew this guy was a time bomb, I really did." Roop was charged with second degree murder.

**UPDATE:** In August 2013, Kenneth Roop was found guilty of second-degree murder in the death of Nicholas Rainey. The conviction carries a mandatory life sentence.

Source: "Kenneth Roop guilty of second-degree murder," *nbc-2.com*, August 29, 2013; "'This guy was a time bomb': Man shoots dead door-to-door lobster salesman 'execution style' seven years after pulling gun on female meter reader," *MailOnline*, July 31, 2012; "Salesman shot in head 'for effect,'" *WBBH-TV*, July 27, 2012.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Wilmen Diaz

**PENDING**

**Date:** February 13, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** Just after midnight on February 13, 2012, concealed carry permit holder Wilmen Diaz, 28, and an unidentified woman were leaving the Tipico Dominicano Club and Restaurant in Miami when Diaz became involved in a confrontation with Michael Anthony Lawrence, 39, and Marcell Donell Brown, 27, “causing... Diaz to produce a firearm and shoot at the males striking them both” according to Miami police. Both Lawrence and Brown, shot with a 9mm gun, were taken to the hospital following the shooting, where Lawrence died. Diaz faces one count of second-degree murder with a firearm and one count of attempted second-degree murder with a firearm.

Sources: “Man Arrested for Miami Club Shooting: Cops,” *NBC6 Miami*, February 15, 2012; “Man killed in scuffle near Allapattah club,” *The Miami Herald*, February 14, 2012; “One Killed, One Injured in Shooting Outside Miami Club,” *NBC6 Miami*, February 13, 2012; “Tipico Dominicano Club Shooting Leaves Michael Anthony Lawrence Dead And Marcell Donell Brown Injured,” *Huffington Post*, February 13, 2012.



## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Moises Zambrana

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** February 12, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 12, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Moises Zambrana, 48, was showing his 9mm Ruger pistol to Dustin Bueller, 20, and another man after church services when the handgun accidentally fired (Bueller was thinking of buying the model for himself when he turned 21). Although he “took precautions” in showing the gun to Bueller—going with Bueller into a closet in the church and removing the gun’s ammunition magazine—Zambrana left a round in the pistol’s chamber. The Ruger fired as he was explaining its safety features to Bueller, “sending a bullet through the wall and into the head of Hannah Kelley, 20, — Bueller’s girlfriend and daughter of the church’s pastor, Tim Kelley.” Hannah Kelley died the following Saturday. Zambrana, a licensed security officer, also served as security for the church’s events. Church member Tony Diehl told a reporter that after the shooting his father told him that he knew of three church “regulars” with concealed handgun permits. “I was kind of hoping it wasn’t going to be Moises,” Diehl added, “Why does this need to happen?”

Source: “Pastor’s daughter shot at Florida church dies,” *Associated Press*, February 18, 2012; “Deputies: Pastor’s daughter struck as gun accidentally goes off in Pinellas church,” *Tampa Bay Times*, February 12, 2012.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Vishna Beepot

### **SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT**

**Date:** June 30, 2011

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On June 30, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Vishna Beepot, 26, got into an argument with Junior Lodge, 35, at the South Rock Lounge Bar and Grill in Lauderdale Lakes. When Beepot pulled out a gun, an unnamed security guard at the bar told him to drop his weapon. When Beepot refused, the security guard pulled his own weapon and both men fired. Ten people were shot and injured in the crossfire and Lodge and Beepot were killed. Broward Sheriff Al Lamberti told the press that given the small size of the bar and the number of customers in it at the time, "It's a wonder more people didn't die." Beepot's mother told the press that her son carried his gun for self-protection. The security guard, who detectives stated may have fired his gun in self-defense, was unhurt.

Source: "Officials continue probing bar shooting," [www.nbcmiami.com](http://www.nbcmiami.com), July 1, 2011.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Hewart Bailey

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** April 20, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On April 20, 2011, a caller to 911 reported that a woman had been shot by her toddler son. When police responded they found Julia Bennett, 33, dead in her apartment. According to a spokeswoman from the Miramar police, the 911 call was made by concealed handgun permit holder Hewart Bailey, the father of the two and a half year old boy. Bailey told authorities that his Glock pistol—which he thought he had unloaded—was accessible to the toddler, who accidentally fired it. A witness said that police checked the boy’s hands for gunshot residue and swabbed his mouth for possible evidence that he had fired the gun. Neighbor Naomi Williams was shocked by the shooting, stating, “I was looking at the baby’s hands and ain’t no way the baby did it.” The circumstances surrounding the shooting remain under investigation.

**UPDATE:** In June 2014, the Broward State Attorney’s Office decided not to file criminal charges against Hewart Bailey, concluding that the shooting of Julia Bennett was unintentional. In a memo the State Attorney’s Office stated that Bennett was, “accidentally shot once when Hewart Bailey attempted to retrieve his gun from their son.”

Source: “Exclusive: Couple’s Son Had His Hand On Gun In Fatal Shooting,” *miami.cbslocal.com*, June 18, 2014; “Father in Miramar toddler shooting case said he tried to prevent killing,” *www.sun-sentinel.com*, May 5, 2011; “Police: Toddler may have fatally shot mother,” *wfsp.com*, April 21, 2011; “Miramar woman identified in claim that child fired fatal shot from Glock; investigation continues,” *South Florida Sun-Sentinel*, April 21, 2011.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Justin Campos

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 18, 2011

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On January 18, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Justin Campos, 25, allegedly shot and killed Juan Miguel Sanchez-Perdomo, 20, and Carlos Deleon-Ortiz, 29, following a confrontation outside Lookers strip club in Fort Myers, FL. Detectives state that Campos and alleged accomplice Daniel Guillen, 27, attacked a group of men outside Lookers shortly after midnight. Guillen allegedly pistol-whipped one man then Campos reportedly used the same handgun to shoot Sanchez-Perdomo and Deleon-Ortiz. Campos was arrested hours later and charged with two counts of second-degree murder.

**UPDATE:** In January 2012, a jury found National Rifle Association member Justin Campos guilty on two second-degree murder charges.

Source: "Jury finds Campos guilty of deadly strip club shooting," *marconews.com*, January 12, 2012; "Judge denies Stand Your Ground motion in strip club shooting," *www.winknews.com*, January 10, 2012; "Murder suspect's attorney: Shooting was self-defense," *Naples Daily News*, January 21, 2011.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Emanuel “Emma” Laboy Rivera  
**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 10, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 10, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder and drug dealer Emanuel “Emma” Laboy Rivera, 26, allegedly shot and killed Lekeefe Lee, 25, as the result of a drug deal gone bad. According to news reports, Rivera, who dealt drugs out of his home, had agreed to sell Lee three ounces of marijuana for \$900. Lee, who had no cash on him, took only two ounces, leaving his .380 handgun with Rivera as collateral. A half hour later Lee returned to Rivera’s home, where they discussed “the weight and quality” of the marijuana. Lee then took his handgun and the remaining ounce of marijuana without paying Rivera and walked to his car, followed by Rivera. Rivera then fired his Glock pistol into Lee’s car. The bullet shattered the car’s rear window hitting Lee, who drove the car two to four blocks before hitting a utility pole. Lee was believed to have been killed by the gunshot wound. Because of Florida’s Castle law, which allows the use of lethal force in cases of perceived threat, Rivera was not charged with homicide (even though the law does not apply to a person who is engaged in unlawful activity). Though not charged in the homicide, Rivera was charged with two felony counts of delivery of drugs and use of a gun in the commission of a felony.

**UPDATE:** In January 2011, Rivera was charged with second-degree murder and was held without bail at the Volusia County Branch jail.

**UPDATE:** On January 28, 2013, Rivera was found guilty of manslaughter with a firearm and was sentenced to 18 years in prison.

Source: “Drug dealer gets 18 years in fatal shooting during drug deal gone bad,” *Daytona Beach News-Journal*, January 28, 2013; “Police charge dealer with murder in shooting,” *Daytona Beach News-Journal*, January 13, 2011; “Police: Dealer shot customer for not paying,” *Daytona Beach News-Journal*, December 12, 2010; “Daytona Beach man, 25, shot to death in car; result of drug deal gone bad,” *nsbnews.net*, December 11, 2010.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Trevor Dooley

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** September 26, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 26, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Trevor Dooley, 69, allegedly shot and killed David James, 41, in front of his daughter during an argument following Dooley's confrontation with a teenage boy riding a skateboard on a basketball court across the street from Dooley's home. Dooley, carrying a gun, confronted the youth for breaking the neighborhood's rules. Neighbors said that James, a 20-year Air Force veteran, stood up for the skateboarder, and that the men argued, eventually getting into a physical confrontation. James was playing basketball with his daughter, Danielle, as he did every Sunday. After the shooting, Danielle asked her mother why no one was helping her father. "He already went up to heaven," her mother replied. In news reports, neighbors said that Dooley, a school bus driver, had had prior confrontations with neighborhood kids in the park, with one neighbor stating, "When my son would be down skateboarding, he was always looking on the perimeter—a couple of times he would say some things. But you would never think it would lead to something where he would take a life?" Dooley was charged with manslaughter, improper exhibition of a firearm, and openly carrying a firearm. His bail was set at \$50,000. Neighbor Sam Romano said of the shooting, "It's just really sad and it's stupid. None of it made any sense to any of us."

**UPDATE:** In March 2011, a civil wrongful death suit was filed against Trevor Dooley by the James family. The suit seeks unspecified damages.

**UPDATE:** In November 2012, Trevor Dooley was found guilty of manslaughter, improper exhibition of a weapon, and open carrying of a firearm. He faces up to 30 years in prison.

Source: "Jury finds Trevor Dooley guilty in manslaughter case," *Tampa Bay Times*, November 19, 2012; "Wrongful death suit filed against Trevor Dooley," *wfsp.com*, March 21, 2011; "Bail set at \$50,000 for man charged in fatal Valrico shooting," *St. Petersburg Times*, September 29, 2010; "Valrico Shooter Charged With Manslaughter," *St. Petersburg Times*, September 28, 2010; "Deadly Shooting's Aftermath Leaves Valrico Bewildered," *St. Petersburg Times*, September 28, 2010; "Questions surround Valrico shooting," *www.myfoxtampabay.com*, September 27, 2010.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Gerardo Regalado

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** June 6, 2010

**People Killed:** 5 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On June 6, 2010, Gerardo Regalado, 38, committed Hialeah, Florida's worst mass shooting: killing four women and wounding three others at the Yoyito Cafe-Restaurant, a well-liked local restaurant. Regalado's target was his estranged wife, Liazan Molina, 24. Armed with a 45 caliber pistol, Regalado fired nine times in a shooting spree that witnesses described as total mayhem. "He came in running, like a crazy man...shooting everybody," screamed one 911 caller, "He came in running and killing." Authorities said that Regalado specifically targeted women and shot them at close range. Regalado killed himself after the shooting. He had a concealed handgun permit—even though relatives described him as "pure evil" with a history of abusing women and having served "hard time" in a Cuban prison.

Source: "Shooter had violent past," *WSVN.com*, June 11, 2010; "In minutes, rage to rampage in Hialeah mass shooting," *The Miami Herald*, June 8, 2010; "Hialeah rampage suspect is half-brother of pitcher 'El Duque' Hernandez," *The Miami Herald*, June 7, 2010.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Charles E. Ingram, Robert G. Webster  
**SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT**

**Date:** April 28, 2010

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On April 28, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Robert G. Webster and his wife were returning home from a visit to the doctor when he got into a confrontation with neighbor and fellow concealed handgun permit holder Charles E. Ingram, 57. According to witnesses, as the argument escalated Webster, age 63, walked out of his yard with a gun at his side and then raised it. Ingram, who had also left his yard, standing in the sidewalk and street, raised his gun as Webster approached. Both men fired at approximately the same time. Webster died at the scene. Ingram died less than a month later from wounds inflicted by Webster. Detectives investigating the shooting concluded that both men might have faced criminal charges had they lived.

Source: "Second Man Dies in April Neighborhood Shooting," *Florida Times-Union*, May 25, 2010.



## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Leonel Marquetti

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** March 25, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 25, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Leonel Marquetti, 51, shot and killed Michael Hurlbutt, 44, after seeing Hurlbutt leaving the house Marquetti had shared with his ex-girlfriend. Marquetti and his girlfriend had recently separated and prosecutors claim Marquetti hounded her with phone calls and questioned the time she spent with Hurlbutt. On the day of the shooting, Marquetti appeared at his ex-girlfriend's home and approached Hurlbutt. Without speaking, he began firing with a semiautomatic handgun, hitting Hurlbutt four times in the chest and back. Marquetti's call to 911 was played at his trial, "I shot a guy by accident....I just got angry. I saw him coming out of my house with my girlfriend and I started shooting." The jury took only 90 minutes to convict Marquetti of first-degree murder.

Source: "Jury finds murder defendant guilty after 90 minute [sic] of deliberations in Tampa," *St. Petersburg Times*, April 21, 2011; "Four shots called an accident," *St. Petersburg Times*, April 20, 2011.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Randy Reddick Jr.

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** February 27, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 27, 2010, a 10-year-old boy unintentionally shot and killed his older brother, Randy Reddick, 11, with his father's 40-caliber Glock pistol. The boys' father, Randy Reddick Jr., had forgotten to take his handgun out of the console of his Dodge pickup truck that was parked at the family's Deerfield Beach residence. A neighbor, Spencer Waymen, who was helping unload a moving van across the street, witnessed the shooting. Said Waymen, "Before I could get out of the U-Haul, the gun went off." As he approached the scene, he saw the older boy lying on the ground in a pool of blood with a gunshot wound to the right side of his face. His younger brother jumped out of the truck yelling, "It went off by itself! I killed my brother!" According to news reports, the boys' sister and father raced out of their apartment and became "hysterical." The boys' father had forgotten that he had left the pistol in the truck's unlocked console when he asked the two boys to retrieve his hat and coat from the vehicle's front seat. Randy Reddick Jr., 31, had a valid concealed handgun permit.

Source: "Brother accidentally shoots older brother dead," *digitaljournal.com*, March 1, 2010; "Witness: Young Deerfield brothers were joking, laughing before deadly shooting," *SunSentinel.com*, March 1, 2010.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Roger Troy

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** February 8, 2010

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On February 8, 2010, Alissa Blanton, 23, was shot and killed by concealed handgun permit holder Roger Troy, 61, before Troy shot himself in the head, ending his own life. One week earlier Blanton had sought an emergency order of protection against Troy. The request was denied. The shooting occurred in a business center parking lot outside an AT&T Wireless Call Center in Orlando where both Blanton and her husband of six months, Brent, worked. The newlywed couple had been out for lunch and were returning to work via separate entrances. When Blanton saw Troy approaching, she called her husband on her cell phone for help. When the husband returned, he found Alissa on the ground and began administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation. According to Alissa Blanton's mother, he had just enough time "... to tell her that he loved her." In a 72-page petition for an order of protection presented at an emergency hearing February 1, 2010, Alissa Blanton stated that Troy had been stalking her since 2008 and that he owned several guns. Blanton had first met Troy when she worked as a waitress at a Hooters that year. Troy was a regular and kept trying to touch her. Blanton said she gave Troy her e-mail address after he kept badgering her for her phone number. Subsequent communications from Troy contained "angry rants" about her marriage. During the period prior to the shooting, Troy had showed up at her home, followed her to the beach, and confronted her outside her workplace, blocking in her car. Despite the evidence Blanton presented, Brevard Circuit Judge Dean Moxley denied her request for an emergency injunction.

Source: "Woman killed near UCF had told judge man was stalking her," *TMCnet.com*, February 10, 2010.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James Matthew Menard

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 1, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On New Year's Day, concealed handgun permit holder James Matthew Menard, 23, shot and killed 17-year-old high school student Jake Couture. The shooting was the result of a quarrel between two groups of youths following a robbery that may have involved the sale of drugs. Menard and others went to confront the group they suspected of the robbery. Menard allegedly pulled his 40 caliber pistol and fired five times after being shoved by one of the group, one of whom possessed a toy gun that resembled an UZI assault rifle, and stumbling backward over a curb. The shots resulted in Couture's death and the wounding of two others. After the shooting police searched Menard's apartment, where they found three guns—including the 40 caliber pistol. Menard was charged with second degree murder with bond set at three million dollars.

**UPDATE:** On January 14, 2011, Menard was found guilty of felony murder and armed trespass. He was found not guilty of second-degree murder which required the jury to find Menard had a depraved mind, ill will, spite and hatred when he shot Couture. Instead the jury found Menard guilty of the lesser and included charge of manslaughter. The manslaughter charge is punishable by up to 15 years in prison.

Source: "Jake Couture slaying: James Menard guilty of felony murder, manslaughter," *naplenews.com*, January 14, 2011; "Victim's family happy alleged killer's bond staying at \$3M", *WZVN News*, June 1, 2010; "Court records shed light on Jake Couture killing," *Marconews.com*, May 27, 2010.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jason Rodriguez

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** November 6, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 6, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Jason Rodriguez, 40, shot and killed Otis Beckford, 26, a computer-design technician at the office where Rodriguez formerly worked. At a hearing to assess his competency to stand trial, Rodriguez admitted taking a gun into his former place of employment where he claimed he wanted to talk to a former manager about why he had not received an unemployment check. Rodriguez had been fired from the company in 2007. When asked what happened when he went into the office, Rodriguez claimed that he could not remember and that “I was psychotic. I can’t tell you what happened.” Witnesses said that Rodriguez walked around the office shooting people. He was charged with one count of first-degree murder and five counts of attempted first-degree murder. In October 2013, Rodriguez was ruled competent to stand trial. In December 2013 he was convicted and in January 2014 he was sentenced to six consecutive life sentences.

Source: “Jason Rodriguez gets life sentence for downtown Orlando shooting,” *mynews13.com*, January 9, 2014; “Downtown Orlando shooting suspect Jason Rodriguez competent for trial,” *Orlando Sentinel*, October 28, 2013.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Paul Michael Merhige

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** November 26, 2009

**People Killed:** 4

**Circumstances:** On Thanksgiving Day, November 26, 2009, Paul Michael Merhige opened fire at his family's Thanksgiving dinner shooting six relatives, killing four. The deceased victims were his twin sisters (one of whom was pregnant), his 76-year-old aunt, and a six-year-old cousin. As he left the scene, Merhige was quoted by one witness as saying, "I have been waiting 20 years for this." Merhige then fled, and was featured on "America's Most Wanted." Merhige bought two pistols and a rifle the day before the shooting according to the gun shop owner who sold them to him. Merhige had a concealed handgun permit.

**UPDATE:** On October 28, 2011, Paul Michael Merhige, 37, pled guilty in the deaths of four family members on Thanksgiving 2009 and was sentenced to seven consecutive life sentences. The father of one of the victims begged the judge not to accept the deal, which allowed Merhige to escape the death penalty, falling to his knees as he addressed the judge before being ordered off the ground by deputies. The judge in the case said the life sentences were the strongest he could impose, telling Merhige, "You'll never see the light of day."

Source: "'You'll never see the light of day': Thanksgiving Day killer who murdered four relatives is handed seven life sentences by sickened judge," *The Daily Mail*, October 28, 2011; "Thanksgiving Massacre Gun Bought in Fort Lauderdale: Merhige bought three guns a day before killing four family members," *NBC Miami*, December 4, 2009; "4 Killed at Dinner; Florida Police Seek Gunman," *New York Times*, November 28, 2009.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unidentified

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** October 19, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On October 19, 2009, Latrecia Levine was shot and killed at The Allied Veterans Cyber Center Internet Café when a man's handgun fell out of his waistband, hit the floor and discharged, striking her in the back. The shooter, who had a concealed handgun permit, apparently had ignored a sign on the door that included firearms among the items prohibited from inside the business. Additional signs inside the café said that no firearms were allowed on the property. No charges were immediately filed in the case, but the police characterized it as an "active ongoing investigation."

Source: "New Info in Internet Café Shooting," *wokv.com*, October 23, 2009; "Woman Killed in Cyber Café Identified," *news4jax.com*, October 22, 2009; "No charges filed against man when gun went off at Jacksonville business, killing woman," *jacksonville.com*, October 22, 2009.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Lenin Florian

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** August 24, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 24, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Lenin Florian, 26, shot and killed David Hernandez, 33, with a revolver. According to prosecutors, Florian was dating the mother of Hernandez's two children. The Fort Myers police say that Hernandez, accompanied by his mother, was picking up his son, age nine, and daughter, age seven, at a school bus stop outside an apartment building on the first day of school. Florian arrived and an argument ensued with Hernandez, ending with Florian shooting Hernandez in the chest. Numerous bystanders were at the shooting, including Hernandez's children, schoolchildren on the school bus, and the mother of Hernandez's children—who was reportedly dating Florian and was in his car during the confrontation. Those close to Hernandez's children told reporters that they would never forget the youngsters' cries for help as they sat in a police car as their father died: "She was just crying, saying 'daddy, daddy, daddy,'" said one witness. Another witness added, "He got killed in front of his family, his mom, his kids, you know—in broad daylight in front of everyone." According to prosecutors, the two men had argued previously—apparently over visitation rights—and Florian decided to get a concealed handgun permit and arm himself. According to news reports, "Florian told police that he was sorry, that he didn't know how to fight and this was how he had to deal with the situation." On August 31, 2011, Florian was convicted of manslaughter. On October 11, 2011, he was sentenced to 15 years in prison with credit for two years served. At sentencing, the judge stated, "It's amazing how quickly people's lives can change in a matter of a few moments. I don't believe this was planned. I think it was very quick....But I do believe Mr. Florian took someone's life needlessly. He didn't have to do what he did."

Source: "Killer gets 15 years in death of Fort Myers man," *The Fort Meyers News-Press*, October 10, 2011; "Man convicted in shooting," *The Fort Myers News-Press*, August 31, 2011; "Police: Children may have witnessed fatal shooting," *nbc-2.com*, August 24, 2009.



## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Humberto Delgado, Jr.

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** August 19, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Law Enforcement Officers Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** Humberto Delgado Jr., 34, allegedly shot and killed 11-year Tampa police veteran Corporal Mike Roberts after the officer responded to a suspicious person call. Delgado was pushing a shopping cart which turned out to be filled with military gear, a Kel-Tec assault rifle, a Taurus .45 pistol, and a .22 revolver. He also had a Glock 17 pistol in a backpack. When Corporal Roberts tried to question Delgado, a struggle ensued and Roberts was shot while on his back. Although Corporal Roberts was wearing body armor, a bullet struck him in an unprotected area and entered his chest. Delgado had been a law enforcement officer in the Virgin Islands for four years until 2000 and had served in the U.S. Army. He had a concealed handgun permit issued in North Carolina. Florida has reciprocity with North Carolina. A search of Delgado's storage unit uncovered another firearm, a laser sight, a copy of *Shooter's Bible*, and a certificate for completion of a firearms safety course. Delgado faces charges of premeditated murder and aggravated assault on a law enforcement officer.

**UPDATE:** On November 15, 2011, Delgado was found guilty of first-degree murder in the death of Corporal Mike Roberts. He was sentenced to death on February 11, 2012.

Source: "Jury finds Humberto Delgado Jr. guilty of murdering Tampa police officer," *tampabay.com*, November 15, 2011; "'Not guilty' plea in killing," *tampabay.com*, September 14, 2009; "Documents show Delgado had more weapons, Police: accused killer had 'Shooter's Bible' too," *myfoxtampabay.com*, September 1, 2009; "Tampa officer was on his back when shot dead," *tampabay.com*, August, 31, 2009; "Accused police killer: who is he?," *10connects.com*, August, 21, 2009; North Carolina Statute 14-415.11; North Carolina Department of Justice, Concealed Weapons Reciprocity.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Andrew Sherman Conley

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** October 24, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On October 24, 2008, Andrew Sherman Conley was showing his girlfriend, assistant public defender Theresa Anderson, a .22 handgun when the weapon went off, the bullet striking her in the chest. She was treated by paramedics but died at the scene. Conley, who considered himself an “amateur gunsmith,” had attended a firearms safety course in 2005 and had a concealed handgun permit. Conley told deputies his girlfriend had encouraged him to take the safety course after a previous incident in which he had accidentally fired into the bed in the master bedroom. Conley pleaded no contest to manslaughter and was sentenced to 13 years in prison.

Source: “Live-in boyfriend gets 13 years after fatal shooting of assistant public defender,” *The Orlando Sentinel*, November 9, 2009; “Seminole Deputies: It was her boyfriend’s fault,” *The Orlando Sentinel*, November 4, 2008; “Trial in manslaughter case set for Feb. 23,” *The Orlando Sentinel*, December 5, 2008.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James Wonder

**PENDING**

**Date:** August 5, 2008

**Total Killed:** 1

**Law Enforcement Officers Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 5, 2008, James Wonder allegedly shot and killed U.S. Customs and Border Protection Agent Donald Pettit after a road-rage incident. After the two got into a shouting and finger-pointing match while driving, Wonder pulled into a post office parking lot, Pettit followed and was shot and killed. After the shooting, Wonder sped away to a kidney dialysis appointment where he told a nurse that whomever had killed the agent must have been a “professional.” He then went home, hid the gun, changed his hair color, and rented a car to reportedly hide his involvement in the shooting. Wonder, who had a concealed handgun permit, has been indicted on manslaughter charges.

Source: “Police: Suspect in agent’s killing told nurses of road rage argument: Police: Suspect in federal agent’s killing described a road rage fight,” *South Florida Sun-Sentinel*, August 21, 2008; “Man charged in agent’s road rage killing out on bail; A Broward retiree who was charged in the death of a customs agent paid bail and was released from jail on Friday,” *Miami Herald*, August 30, 2008.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Garrido

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** July 3, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On July 3, 2008, William Garrido confessed to shooting and killing fellow cab driver Josue Reyes. Garrido allegedly shot Reyes in the parking lot of the Bass Museum of Art in Miami Beach following a confrontation. Reyes then tried to run away, but Garrido shot him a second time, in the back, causing him to collapse and die beside a parking meter. Garrido and Reyes had been arguing for the last three weeks. Garrido told police that in the lot, stepping out of his cab, he took out his six-shot revolver with the intention of killing Reyes. Garrido had a concealed handgun permit despite having pled no contest in 1997 to charges of aggravated assault with a weapon and being sentenced to two months in jail and a year of probation. Garrido was charged with second-degree murder in the shooting of Reyes.

**UPDATE:** On December 28, 2011, the Third District Court of Appeal for the State of Florida upheld William Garrido's conviction and sentence for second degree murder. Garrido had appealed, alleging that the trial court had erred in the manslaughter instruction given to the jury.

Source: *William Garrido v. State of Florida*, No. 3D10-722, (Fla. Dist. Ct. App., Dec. 28, 2011); "Murder charge for cabbie; a Miami Beach cab driver was arrested and charged with first-degree murder in the death of another cab driver," *The Miami Herald*, July 5, 2008; "Blood Beach: The Murder Rate in Miami Beach Pushes a Record for This Decade," *www.miamisunpost.com*, September 18, 2008.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dam Lopez

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** March 22, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 22, 2008, Dam Lopez allegedly shot and killed his girlfriend Andrea Anzola Villafrade while they were staying at a hotel with another couple. According to news reports, Lopez originally claimed that he was just standing in front of his girlfriend and did not know that the gun discharged, but a Monroe County Medical Examiner's report concluded Lopez had stood behind Villafrade, his right arm wrapped around her side while he reached over with his left arm and placed the barrel of his gun to her ribs, right below her breast. According to an arrest warrant, Villafrade said, "Damian, don't play like that," immediately before being shot. Lopez, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with negligent manslaughter.

**UPDATE:** On July 26, 2010, Dam Lopez pleaded guilty to manslaughter. He was sentenced on August 20, 2010, to 30 months in prison, and will be on probation for eight years following his prison term.

Source: "Man gets 2.5 years for killing girlfriend," *Florida Keys Keynoter*, October 2, 2010; "Man charged in gun death," *Sun-Sentinel*, October 2, 2008; "Single gunshot killed Deerfield woman," *The Miami Herald*, March 24, 2008.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Arthur Burroughs

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** March 8, 2008

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On March 8, 2008, Christine Burroughs, naked and covered with blood, ran to neighbor Alice and Lance Lather's house seeking refuge from her enraged husband, Arthur Burroughs. Burroughs followed his wife to the home, fatally shooting Lance Lather. Burroughs then barricaded himself in the neighbors' bathroom with his wife. A SWAT team and hostage negotiator were called to the house. Burroughs eventually shot and killed himself. Christine Burroughs had previously told Alice Lather that her husband wanted to kill her because she wanted a divorce. Burroughs had been previously employed in loss prevention and security for T.J. Maxx and had possessed a concealed handgun permit since at least 1999.

Source: "Domestic Dispute Spurred Shooter," *Palm Beach Post*, March 10, 2008.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tony Villegas

### **INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL**

**Date:** March 5, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 5, 2008, Tony Villegas allegedly strangled Melissa Britt Lewis after a struggle ensued in her garage. Her body was found in a canal two days later. Lewis was the best friend of Villegas' estranged wife, and had been supportive of her efforts to end the abusive relationship with Villegas. Villegas had possessed a concealed handgun permit since 2000. Villegas was indicted on a charge of premeditated first-degree murder.

**UPDATE:** In May 2010 Villegas was deemed incompetent to stand trial and was transferred to a mental health facility run by the Department of Children and Families. By law, if Villegas' mental health does not improve in five years, the first-degree murder charge against him must be dropped. According to a news report, "The current focus on Tony's sanity is not entirely surprising. Tony's diary from the months leading up to Melissa's death suggests that he was struggling to keep it together. His entries were disjointed and difficult to decipher, scribbled at random on a day planner."

Source: "Tony Villegas Deemed Incompetent; Murder Case Stalled," *Broward-Palm Beach New Times*, May 4, 2010; "Arrest made in slaying of attorney; Suspect is estranged husband of the victim's best friend," *Sun-Sentinel*, March 16, 2008; "Lawyer: Suspect in Attorney's Killing Framed; Police Say Woman Strangled by Best Friend's Estranged Husband," *www.justnews.com*, March 17, 2008; "Suspect indicted in Ft. Lauderdale lawyer's murder," *Miami Herald*, March 26, 2008.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Paul Kallenbach

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** February 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** In February 2008, Paul Kallenbach shot and killed Jon Teko Howard following an argument at a convenience store. After a verbal dispute, Kallenbach, who was armed with two pistols, pulled one of them on Howard who then began backing out of the store before lunging to try and disarm Kallenbach. A struggle ensued and Howard managed to wrestle one pistol away from Kallenbach. Howard was shot in the arm and back, and returned fire on Kallenbach, wounding him in the shoulder and leg. Howard was pronounced dead at the scene and Kallenbach was taken to the hospital for treatment. Kallenbach had a concealed weapon permit and told police he felt safer when he was carrying guns. Police had confiscated several firearms and hundreds of rounds of ammunition from Kallenbach six months prior to the shooting, but a judge returned the weapons in November 2007. Kallenbach pled guilty to second degree murder and was sentenced to 18 years in prison.

Source: "A sobering picture of crime; Homicides doubled last year and county is on track to match that in '08," *Sarasota Herald-Tribune*, April 15, 2008; "Fatal shootout brings 18-year term," *HeraldTribune.com*, December 12, 2008; "Death at a convenience store," *Sarasota Herald-Tribune*, December 13, 2008.



## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Leopold Phillips

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** January 19, 2008

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On January 19, 2008, Michael Leopold Phillips shot and killed his wife, Josefina Boza, before turning the gun on himself. Both were shot in the head and a police investigation determined the shooting to be a murder-suicide. Phillips' arrest record showed three charges since 1988 of domestic battery or assault on a spouse. From 1988 through 1990, one of Phillips' ex-wives was granted injunctions for protection against domestic violence. Phillips obtained a concealed handgun permit in 1999 and renewed it in 2006.

Source: "Murder, Suicide Cited in Deaths," *Palm Beach Post*, January 21, 2008.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Adam Hill

### **INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL**

**Date:** January 7, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 7, 2008, Adam Hill allegedly shot and killed Clayton Patterson as Patterson sat on the couch in a friend's apartment. An eyewitness told police that Hill entered the apartment, pulled out a revolver, and pointed it. Hill then said, "Hey Clayton, you want to get shot?" Hill had a history of mental illness and owned several guns. Two years prior to his obtaining a concealed handgun permit, Hill was arrested for carrying a concealed weapon. He failed to show up for court, but the case was dismissed. Hill obtained a concealed handgun permit in 2007. Hill was charged with second degree murder.

**UPDATE:** On August 21, 2013, Judge Michael Traynor deemed Adam Hill incompetent to stand trial for the death of Clayton Patterson. The judge ruled that Hill "is a danger to himself and/or others as a result of his mental illness and, therefore, requires involuntary hospitalization." Hill will remain in the custody of the Florida Department of Children and Families as long as the court feels he is a danger to himself or others.

Source: "Man charged in 2008 murder found incompetent, put in care of DCF," *St. Augustine Record*, August 27, 2013; "Family Says Gun Laws are Flawed," *firstcoastnews.com*, May 21, 2009.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Guillermo Zarabozo

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** September 2007

**People Killed:** 4

**Circumstances:** On September 22, 2007, Guillermo Zarabozo and Kirby Archer hired Jake Branam, captain of the 47-foot charter boat *Joe Cool*, his wife and mother of his two children Kelley Branam, and crew mates Scott Gamble and Samuel Kairy to take them from Miami Beach to Bimini in the Bahamas. When the boat did not return to Florida, the Coast Guard was contacted and they found the *Joe Cool* abandoned roughly 30 miles north of Cuba. Zarabozo and Archer were found the next morning on an inflatable lifeboat about 12 miles away from the *Joe Cool*. Zarabozo claimed that Cuban hijackers had seized the boat at sea and killed the crew. Archer eventually confessed to killing the Branams on the fly bridge of the boat while Zarabozo killed Gamble and Kairy in the cabin below. Zarabozo worked for private investigation and security companies and had a concealed handgun permit. Four days before chartering the *Joe Cool*, Zarabozo was accepted as an applicant to become a Miami-Dade police officer. Zarabozo was found guilty of the four murders and sentenced to five consecutive terms of life imprisonment and an additional 85 years imprisonment to be served consecutively to the life sentences for the first-degree murders of the crew of the *Joe Cool*.

Source: "Information Issued by U.S. Attorney's Office for Southern District of Florida on May 6: Defendant Sentenced on Murder Charges in Connection with Joe Cool Voyage," (May 6, 2009, Press Release), *U.S. Fed News*, May 18, 2009; "Joe Cool defendant had applied to become a Miami-Dade cop," *Miami Herald*, September 17, 2008; "Joe Cool suspect gullible, jury told," *Miami Herald*, September 16, 2008; "High seas mystery full of twists, contradictions," *Associated Press*, October 15, 2007; "Lost at sea," *Newsweek*, September 28, 2007.

## Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Antonia Olo Duran

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** May 8, 2007

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On May 8, 2007, concealed handgun permit holder Antonio Olo Duran, 40, shot and killed Richard Scoggins, 39, and then took his own life. According to press reports Maria Bautista, 44, her former boyfriend Duran, and her current boyfriend Scoggins, 39, were “in a love triangle of sorts.” The three had eaten dinner together, had some drinks, and were working on the mobile home where Bautista lived. Duran then made several trips to the bathroom in a short period of time and “started acting erratically.” Following the fourth and final visit to the bathroom he began arguing with Scoggins about “past relationships.” The argument continued outside where Duran pulled out a silver and black semiautomatic handgun and fatally shot Scoggins in the head. As Bautista attempted to help Scoggins, Duran struggled with her. He then put the handgun in his mouth. As Bautista attempted to pull it out he pulled the trigger, killing himself.

Source: “Fight leaves 2 men dead,” *Tampa Tribune*, May 10, 2007.

## Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Glenn Patrick Lampien

**PENDING**

**Date:** August 16, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 16, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Glenn Patrick Lampien, 53, allegedly shot and killed May Araim, 68, as she walked down North Main Street in the “faux-Alpine village” resort town of Helen, Georgia. Lampien’s handgun apparently fired unintentionally, with a round wounding his hand before striking and killing Araim as she walked with several of her relatives. Lampien was charged with involuntary manslaughter.

Source: “Helen group asks to place memorial to shooting victim,” *accessnorthga.com*, September 17, 2014; “Victim of Helen shooting was visiting before trip to native Iraq,” *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, August 19, 2014.

## Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Dewayne Bowman

**PENDING**

**Date:** May 31, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Law Enforcement Officers Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On May 31, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Dewayne Bowman, 30, allegedly shot and killed Griffin Police Officer Kevin Jordan, 43, who was working an off-duty security job in uniform at a Waffle House restaurant. According to police, Bowman was drunk when he and his girlfriend Chantell Mixon, 28, entered the Waffle House after 2 AM on the morning of May 31, 2014. According to police, Bowman and Mixon caused a disturbance and were asked to leave the restaurant. An altercation spilled into the parking lot where Officer Jordan attempted to arrest Mixon. Officer Jordan, a father of seven, was on the ground attempting to restrain Mixon when Bowman allegedly shot him multiple times in the back. Officer Jordan's brother Raymond, who was visiting from Illinois then shot Bowman, who was taken to the hospital in stable condition. Raymond Jordan also had a concealed carry permit. Bowman and Mixon were charged with felony murder.

Source: "Griffin Tragedy; Drunk and armed at 2 a.m.," *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, June 8, 2014; "Funeral next Monday for slain Griffin police officer," *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, June 2, 2014.

## Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Quintavious Judon

**PENDING**

**Date:** April 23, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On April 23, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Quintavious Judon, 26, allegedly shot and killed a suspected car thief. Judon was sitting in Fletcher's Restaurant in DeKalb County, Georgia, when he saw a man entering Judon's car in the parking lot. According to the police, Judon went outside to confront the man and fired shots, hitting the suspected thief. Georgia law forbids the use of deadly force to protect property. The wounded man tried to flee the scene in his own vehicle but crashed in the parking lot and later died in the hospital. Police did not immediately release the name of the deceased man. Judon has been charged with murder.

Source: "Man facing murder charges after shooting alleged car thief," *MyFoxAtlanta*, April 24, 2014.

## Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Henry Harlan Wooten

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** March 10, 2013

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On March 10, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Henry Harlan Wooten, 70, shot and killed his longtime companion Kay Cornell Janus, 72, in the garage of her house before turning the gun on himself in the middle of the cul-de-sac where she lived. According to a neighbor, the couple had recently split up and Wooten was facing health and financial difficulties. The neighbor stated that Wooten often carried his gun in his truck, and the neighbor warned him that the “gun is ultimately going to cause more harm than good. Chances are you are going to use it against someone you know.”

Source: “Police say Marietta shootings were likely a murder-suicide,” *mdjonline.com*, March 11, 2013



## Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Herbert Lowe

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 29, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 29, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Herbert Lowe, 61, shot and killed his ex-girlfriend Lisa Marie Davis, 49, at her home after she asked him to move out. Davis' friend Velinsa Johnson was also in the home at the time of the shooting and was held hostage by Lowe for four hours. According to prosecutors, Lowe saw Johnson looking at him following the shooting and chased her into a bedroom saying "I should kill you too," as Johnson was pleading for her life. Lowe eventually left the house, telling Johnson to wait 10 minutes before calling 911 so the police wouldn't come after him. Lowe claimed self-defense in the case, but Davis was unarmed and preparing lunch in her kitchen when she was shot twice and killed. In June 2014, Lowe was convicted of felony murder, false imprisonment, and two counts each of aggravated assault and possession of a firearm during the commission of a crime. He faces a mandatory minimum sentence of life in prison with the possibility of parole.

Source: "Lowe faces life in prison for killing girlfriend in 2013," *Clayton News Daily*, August 15, 2014; "Man held woman hostage after shooting, says prosecutor," *Clayton News Daily*, June 11, 2014.

## Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Javaris Crittenton

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** August 19, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 19, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Javaris Crittenton, 23, allegedly killed Julian Jones, 22 years old and a mother of four, in a drive-by shooting with an assault rifle in downtown Atlanta. Police stated that they did not believe Jones was the intended victim of the shooting. Crittenton was a former National Basketball Association player who played two seasons in the league, his career ending after a gun incident in the locker room of the Washington Wizards. Crittenton, along with then-Wizard Gilbert Arenas, was suspended by the NBA for bringing guns into the locker room in the wake of a prior dispute with Arenas. Both were suspended by the NBA for the remainder of that season and Crittenton eventually pleaded guilty to a criminal charge resulting in probation for one year. In September 2011, Crittenton was released from jail on \$230,000 bond while awaiting trial for murder.

**UPDATE:** On April 2, 2013, Crittenton was indicted on murder charges in the death of Julian Jones.

**UPDATE:** On April 29, 2015, Javaris Crittenton pleaded guilty to manslaughter and aggravated assault in the death of Julian Jones during an attempt to shoot a rival gang member. Crittenton was sentenced to 23 years in prison. Crittenton also admitted to being a member of the Mansfield Gangster Crips.

Source: "Javaris Crittenton pleads guilty to manslaughter, gets 23-year term," *espn.com*, April 29, 2015; "Former NBA player Javaris Crittenton indicted on murder charges," *al.com*, April 2, 2013; "Ex-NBA player Crittenton released from jail on murder charge," *www.reuters.com*, September 28, 2011.

## Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ardese Day

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** May 21, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On May 21, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Ardese Day, 22, allegedly shot and killed childhood friend George C. McGhee, 28, with a 38 caliber revolver while watching an NBA playoff game between the Dallas Mavericks and the Oklahoma City Thunder with two other friends. According to investigators, Day unholstered the handgun while sitting on a couch after it began pressing into his hip. Both McGhee and Day then handled the loaded weapon, which discharged as Day handed it to McGhee. As McGhee staggered back, clutching his chest with both hands, Day initially thought he was “joking around.” Day, charged with involuntary manslaughter and reckless conduct, posted bond of \$3,500 and was released from the Muscogee County Jail. Sheila Mullen, a friend of McGhee, thought that the bond was too low, stating, “When you purchase a gun, you purchase that responsibility.”

**UPDATE:** On August 13, 2012, Ardese Day pleaded guilty to one count of involuntary manslaughter in the death of George C. McGhee. Day was sentenced to 10 years of probation and 250 hours of community service.

Source: “Man pleads guilty to involuntary manslaughter,” *Columbus Ledger Enquirer*, August 13, 2012; “Columbus man released on bond in accidental shooting of friend, *Ledger-Inquirer.com*, May 28, 2011.

## Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Charles Johnston

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** March 27, 2008

**People Killed:** 3

**Circumstances:** On March 27, 2008, former substitute teacher and concealed handgun permit holder Charles Johnston entered Doctors Hospital in Columbus, Georgia, carrying three handguns: a .32, a 380, and a 9mm. Johnson, apparently angered over the care his mother had received while she was in the hospital, came looking for a nurse he knew only as "Pete." Traveling up to the fifth floor intensive care unit where his mother had been treated in 2004 before she died of natural causes, Johnston followed nurse Peter D. Wright after hearing his name called out and shot him in the head and chest, killing him. While leaving the hospital, Johnston shot and killed a 44-year-old administrative assistant. Before leaving the hospital grounds, Johnston shot 76-year-old James David Baker, who had pulled into a parking space facing Johnston's car. Johnston shot Baker in the head as he got out of his car, perhaps believing him to be a police officer. A plainclothes detective shot Johnston in the shoulder moments later and he was arrested. Johnston was charged with three counts of murder, four counts of aggravated assault on an officer, one count of aggravated assault on a civilian, and one count of possession of a firearm in the commission of a crime.

**UPDATE:** In June 2009, Charles Johnston pled guilty to the murders of Peter Wright, James Baker, and Leslie Harris. In court, Johnston stated, "I had 72 rounds. I was going to spray the entire 5<sup>th</sup> floor. I was just that angry." According to Johnston's public defender, "He has remorse for the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> victim that he killed..but has no remorse for killing nurse Wright. He intended to kill him."

Source: "Charles Johnston pleads guilty," [www.wtvm.com](http://www.wtvm.com), date unknown; "Ga. Town Reeling From Hospital Slayings," *Associated Press* via [www.foxnews.com](http://www.foxnews.com), March 28, 2008; "Information Released About The Weapons Used in Doctor's Hospital Shooting," [www.wtvm.com](http://www.wtvm.com), March 28, 2008.

## Idaho

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Veronica Rutledge

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** December 30, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 30, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Veronica Rutledge, 29, was unintentionally shot and killed by her two-year-old son while shopping in a Walmart store. Rutledge was shopping with her son and three young nieces when her son, who was sitting in a shopping cart, reached into her purse and unintentionally fired the gun one time, striking her in the head and killing her. According to Rutledge's father-in-law, she had a 9mm Smith & Wesson pistol tucked into a purse specifically designed for concealed carry which she had just received as a Christmas gift. Rutledge's family said that she had completed training and understood gun safety. Rutledge's concealed carry permit was issued in the state of Washington. According to authorities, it is common for residents of other states to obtain permits from Washington because they are more widely recognized around the country. Lt. Stu Miller of the Kootenai County Sheriff's Office explained, "A Washington permit, you can use in a lot more states than an Idaho standard permit."

Source: "More details released about Hayden Walmart shooting," *krem.com*, January 1, 2015; "Mom shot, Killed By 2-Year-Old Son at Walmart," *ABC News*, January 2015.

## Idaho

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ernesto Bustamante

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** August 22, 2011

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On August 22, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Ernesto Bustamante, 31, shot and killed graduate student Katy Benoit, 22, before taking his own life. Bustamante, a professor at the University of Idaho, had recently dated Benoit, who had ended the relationship after he displayed violent tendencies—including threatening her life with a gun numerous times. According to news reports, three days after resigning his position at the college, Bustamante shot Benoit 11 times outside her home with a Smith & Wesson M&P .45 handgun. He then checked into a motel and killed himself with a Smith & Wesson .44 revolver the next day. An additional four handguns were found in the hotel room with Bustamante along with prescription medications for severe anxiety, epilepsy, depression, and bipolar disorder. Bustamante had multiple personalities and was known to refer to himself as “psychopathic killer” and “the beast.” According to one student, Bustamante informed the class whenever he developed a new personality, referred to each personality by number, and finished the semester with six personalities. Said one student, “We kind of referred to him as ‘the crazy doctor’—not like an insult, but that’s what he was. I was shocked because I knew he had issues, but I didn’t think it was that bad. We thought he had everything under control.”

Source: “Sheriff: UI professor had cleared background check,” *Associated Press*, September 1, 2011; “Details emerge on Bustamante, prescriptions, weapons and a new job,” *IdahoStatesman.com*, August 27, 2011; Bustamante told classes of his mental problems,” *IdahoStatesman.com*, August 26, 2011.

## Idaho

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Chris Stone

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** August 29, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 29, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Chris Stone, 50, shot and killed his wife Florence, 32, with a pistol in the driveway of her former home. Florence Stone had come to the house to collect personal items. Stone claimed that he acted in self defense and that his spouse had stabbed him in the abdomen with a steak knife as she stood by her minivan. Prosecutors said the evidence showed that in fact she had been held down, a gun placed to the back of her neck, and shot twice. Mail intercepted from Stone while in prison following the shooting revealed that he had told another prisoner that he had actually stabbed himself. In September 2011, Chris Stone was sentenced to 20 years in prison with nine years fixed before he would be eligible for parole for second degree murder. At sentencing, Stone admitted that he did not act in self defense in the shooting. The couple had two children, a 12-year-old boy and a 10-year-old girl.

Source: "Chris Stone of Caldwell, sentenced for murdering estranged wife, confirms expert's theory," *The Idaho Statesman*, September 23, 2011.

## Idaho

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jeremy J. Hobbs

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** March 14, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 14, 2009, Jeremy J. Hobbs, 27, shot and killed Ahmed Cepalo, 29, in the early morning in the parking lot outside Southwest Boise's Backstreet Billiards. According to witnesses, Hobbs and another man starting arguing inside the pool hall. The argument continued into the parking lot where Cepalo, who knew both men, tried to calm them down. A shoving match then broke out between Hobbs and Cepalo. Hobbs then allegedly pulled out a small revolver and shot Cepalo five times, twice in the hip and three times in the back. Cepalo died in the parking lot of internal bleeding. According to police, witnesses all said that Cepalo appeared to be trying to break up the argument when he was shot. Hobbs, who according to Ada County Sheriff's officials had a concealed handgun permit, pleaded not guilty to second degree murder.

**UPDATE:** On April 29, 2010, District Judge Timothy Hansen declared a mistrial in the case after the jury failed to reach a verdict in the week-long trial. A retrial was scheduled to begin on August 30, 2010.

**UPDATE:** On March 22, 2011, Hobbs was sentenced to 30 years in prison with the right to ask for parole after serving 15 years. Hobbs was originally charged with second degree murder, but his trial ended with a hung jury. In February 2011, Hobbs pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter.

Source: "Boise man gets 15 years for pool hall shooting," *Associated Press*, March 23, 2011; "Second trial date set in pool hall shooting," *Associated Press*, May 17, 2010; "Hung jury in pool hall shooting death," *Associated Press*, April 29, 2010; "Man fights second-degree murder charge in Boise pool-hall shooting," *IdahoStatesman.com*, June 9, 2009; "Murder suspect tells Boise police pool hall shooting was self-defense," *IdahoStatesman.com*, March 16, 2009.



## Idaho

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jason Kenneth Hamilton

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** May 19, 2007

**Total Killed:** 4 (including shooter)

**Law Enforcement Officers Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On May 19, 2007, Jason Kenneth Hamilton, 36, a member of the white supremacist group Aryan Nations, shot and killed his wife, a police officer, and a church sexton, and wounded three others before turning the gun on himself in a shooting spree in Moscow, Idaho. Hamilton had a concealed handgun permit “despite a [previous] domestic violence conviction that should have barred him from owning guns.”

Source: “Shooter Linked to Aryans; Killer also had federal license for automatic weapons,” *Spokesman Review*, May 23, 2007; “Authorities investigate Hamilton’s gun purchase; Mass killer apparently obtained the automatic weapon late in 2004 or early in 2005; Ambush aftermath,” *Lewiston Morning Tribune*, May 24, 2007.

## Illinois

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Richard Idrovo

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** August 14, 2015

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On August 14, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Richard Idrovo, 45, shot and killed his ex-girlfriend Alma B. Hernandez, 44, at AmeriCash Loans where she worked, before turning the gun on himself. According to police, Idrovo entered the store around 2:30 p.m., walked to the rear of the store and shot Hernandez twice before walking back to the front of the store and shooting himself in the head.

Source: "Man Kills Ex-Girlfriend, Then Self in Loop Loan Store," *chicago.cbslocal.com*, August 14, 2015; "2 people shot dead in Loop victims of murder-suicide, top cop says," *Chicago Tribune*, August 14, 2015.

## Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Hrniciar

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** September 5, 2014

**Total Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Law Enforcement Officers Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 5, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Hrniciar, 33, shot and killed Merrillville Police Officer Nickolaus Schultz, 24, before turning the handgun on himself. Hrniciar was reportedly evicted from his condominium in July 2014 following a foreclosure. In August 2014, the condo's property management said they had to change damaged locks at Hrniciar's unit after discovering they had been tampered with and the unit entered. On September 5, 2014, police were called when Hrniciar's vehicle was seen parked outside his former home and the previously closed windows of the condo were now open. Police unsuccessfully attempted to get Hrniciar to answer the door before they forced their way into the condo. With no electrical power in the unit, the two officers searched the unit by flashlight. Hrniciar, wearing police-style body armor, ambushed the officers, firing two shots from his .45 handgun. One of the rounds struck Officer Schultz, with the other hitting a wall. Hrniciar then fired a third shot, which drew return gunfire from the second officer. The Lake County Coroner's Office later determined that Hrniciar died from a single, self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head and was not struck by police gunfire. According to police, Hrniciar moved from Illinois to Indiana in 2006 so that he could legally carry a handgun. Hrniciar had a valid Indiana Handgun Permit issued in 2006, the same year he bought the handgun used in the shooting. Hrniciar also had a fascination with commercial-grade fireworks and evidence indicated that he was illegally manufacturing explosives. He also possessed a half-gallon jar of high-grade processed marijuana and a non-functioning marijuana growing operation.

Source: "Police Release Timeline in Merrillville Officer's Shooting Death," *abc7chicago.com*, September 12, 2014.

## Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Albert Rogers

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** June 5, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On June 5, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Albert Rogers, 26, shot and killed Josh Tucker, 31, after a week-long dispute about a dog. According to court documents, Rogers fired as many as 10 shots at Tucker during the argument. Rogers had also fired at Tucker's dog a week prior to the fatal shooting. Rogers was arrested and charged with murder. Rogers pled guilty to aggravated battery, and in February 2015 was sentenced to 11 years, including 10 years in community corrections and one year of probation.

Source: "Man pleads guilty to aggravated battery in fatal shooting stemming from dog argument," *fox59.com*, February 17, 2015.

## Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jayveon Daniels

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** August 26, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 26, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Jayveon Daniels, 21, and Duane Snelling, 22 met with La’Kice Brooks, 17 inside a car to sell him marijuana. Brook was carrying his mother’s pink handgun and Daniels was also armed. According to Snelling’s attorney, Brooks allegedly tried to rob Daniels and Snelling in retaliation for a previous robbery. During the sale, there was a struggle for Brooks’ gun. According to a plea agreement, Snelling shot Brooks with Daniels’ gun. Daniels and Snelling drove off, leaving Brooks in the parking lot. Brooks died on the way to the hospital. Daniels pleaded guilty to reckless homicide, and on January 13, 2015 he was sentenced to two years in jail followed by two years in community corrections and two years on probation.

Source: “Cousins sentenced in Highland teen’s homicide,” *nwtimes.com*, January 14, 2015.

## Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jay Byler

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** February 25, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 25, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Jay Byler accidentally shot and killed his seven-year-old daughter Karlee when his Norinco pistol fell out of his coat pocket and fired. The shooting occurred at the family's home after Jay Byler had been playing outside in the snow with Karlee, her 10-year-old sister Brooklyn, and his wife. According to a statement released by the family's church, "Jay was helping the girls with their boots when the gun fell out of his pocket and discharged. Karlee was killed." The statement described the first grader as an "ornery angel" and stated that like her dad she loved to clown around. A family friend stated, "She was just infectious. Karlee was just a delight and a joy. People talk about her with words like 'smiles' and 'hugs.' Karlee was a hugger." Later analysis found that the gun had a functional defect and no charges were filed in the shooting.

Source: "Prosecutor: Gun that killed Goshen girl had functional defect," *southbendtribune.com*, March 16, 2011; "Friends remember 'ornery angel' killed in accidental shooting," *Newscenter16*, February 27, 2011.

## Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Lucas Holland

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** March 25, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 25, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Lucas Holland, 28, shot and killed David Moore, 52. Holland was allegedly stealing Moore's all-terrain vehicle (ATV) when Moore returned home and confronted him. Holland claimed that he was repossessing the ATV and that he feared Moore was going to harm him when he shot Moore in the back of the head with a .40 Taurus pistol. Holland obtained a concealed handgun permit in July 2009. Holland was arrested and charged with murder when he was found driving a truck with the stolen ATV in the back. In the wake of Moore's death, local law enforcement agencies reported an increase in the number of people seeking permits to carry a concealed weapon.

**UPDATE:** On July 1, 2011, Lucas Holland was sentenced to 85 years in prison after pleading guilty to the murder of David Moore. Holland told the court, "I took the life of a good man for absolutely no reason...The remorse I feel is real and will go on forever."

Source: "Brown county man to serve 85 years for murder," *The Republic*, July 1, 2011; "Man accused of Unionville shooting death had handgun permit," *Bloomington Herald-Times*, March 31, 2010; "Suspect arrested in murder of Monroe County man," *fox59.com*, March 26, 2010; "Deceased man's property found in local man's truck," *Brown County Democrat*, March 26, 2010.

## Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William J. Calderon

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** August 22, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 22, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder William J. Calderon, 22, supplied the handgun used in a prank that resulted in the shooting death of Landon Siela, 21. According to court testimony, Calderon, Siela, and Calderon's roommate Cory S. Lynch, 23, spent the day drinking and playing with a neighbor's Airsoft gun (which uses a burst of air to fire non-lethal plastic pellets). At Calderon's instigation, he and Lynch decided to play a prank on Siela by using actual firearms—including a .45 Kimber pistol that Calderon kept loaded for protection and a second handgun that Siela had brought with him. The two pointed their guns—Calderon with Siela's handgun and Lynch with Calderon's loaded pistol—at Siela. Lynch, who according to Calderon “didn't know that much about firearms,” pulled the trigger on the Kimber pistol, the bullet striking Siela in the throat, killing him. Calderon pled guilty to pointing a firearm, a misdemeanor, but the judge rejected the plea partly on the grounds that the plea agreement was too lenient. Calderon is also charged with false informing, a misdemeanor. Calderon's concealed carry permit was revoked following the shooting.

**UPDATE:** In June 2010 Calderon pleaded guilty to pointing a firearm, a Class A misdemeanor, in the death of Siela. He was sentenced to 120 days on community corrections followed by 245 days on supervised probation.

Source: “Second plea in shooting accepted,” *jconline.com*, June 12, 2010; “Ex-Purdue student wants new judge for role in shooting case,” *jconline.com*, March 22, 2010; “Judge just doesn't buy story in WL shooting,” *jconline.com*, March 10, 2010.



## Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Alexander M. Kozak

**PENDING**

**Date:** June 12, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On June 12, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Alexander M. Kozak, 22, allegedly shot and killed Andrea Farrington, 20 at the Coral Ridge Mall where he worked as a security officer. According to news reports, Kozak was working at the mall on the night of the shooting, but left the mall and traveled to his home to retrieve his 9mm Glock handgun before returning to the mall where he allegedly shot Andrea Farrington in the back three times, then fled. Farrington was working at the mall's information desk near the food court when she was shot. Kozak was issued a concealed carry permit on July 15, 2014 which was revoked following the shooting. Kozak was captured in Scott County and charged with first-degree murder.

Source: "Sheriff: Coral Ridge Mall shooter had permit to carry," *The Gazette*, June 15, 2015; "Officials say they won't comment on Coral Ridge Mall shooter's motive," *kcrg.com*, June 15, 2015.

## Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Aaron E. Scott

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** April 1, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On April 1, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Aaron E. Scott, 30, shot and killed himself following a shootout with a police officer in Maquoketa, Iowa. The police officer, Sgt. Brendan Zeimet, saw Scott sitting alone in his truck just before 3 a.m. He approached the vehicle and determined that Scott was intoxicated. Scott eventually exited the vehicle and raised an assault rifle from behind the truck's door, ignoring the officer's order to put the gun down, at which point the officer fired. In the ensuing shootout, Scott fired between 14 and 19 times, hitting his own truck door at least seven times, Zeimet's squad car at least five times, and shooting Zeimet once in the arm. Shortly thereafter, Scott was found dead of a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Scott was found with a cache of ammunition and three other weapons: a rifle, a shotgun, and a handgun. According to a county attorney, he had a history of mental health problems and alcohol abuse. Scott had argued with his girlfriend and left a suicide note at his home that night. Scott also held a grudge against Maquoketa police and told his ex-wife that he "had a score to settle."

Source: "Video shows gunfight erupt in Maquoketa," *Dubuque Telegraph Herald*, April 15, 2014.

## Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dennis L. Koopman

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** February 21, 2014

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On February 21, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Dennis L. Koopman, 54, shot and killed his estranged wife, LuElla Koopman, 52, and then took his own life. The shooting took place in front of LuElla Koopman's condominium in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. According to police, Dennis Koopman used his own vehicle to block in his wife after she parked her car. He then got out of the vehicle and opened fire with an AR-15 assault rifle, killing her, before turning the rifle on himself. Police say Koopman was also armed with a handgun. The couple had been married since 1981, and Dennis Koopman's mother said his wife had asked him for a divorce the previous month and then moved out of their home. His mother said "his heart was broken" because of the pending divorce. According to his mother, Koopman was an avid hunter who also enjoyed other outdoor activities.

Source: "Police identify suspect, victim in murder-suicide in southwest Cedar Rapids," *The Gazette*, February 24, 2014.

## Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Robert Livingston

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** January 30, 2014

**People Killed:** 3 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On January 30, 2014 concealed handgun permit holder Robert Livingston, 47, shot and killed his 41-year-old wife Ingrid Huber Livingston and his 73-year old mother-in-law Linda Huber before taking his own life in Huber's home. Livingston's two minor daughters were inside their grandmother's home at the time, but were unhurt. Cedar Rapids police had been called to Livingston's home just two nights before the shooting, and had visited his home a total of six times since the prior June. Livingston had been issued his concealed carry permit on January 17, 2013.

Source: "Police say officers visited Cedar Rapids home two nights before shooting deaths," [www.thegazette.com](http://www.thegazette.com), January 31, 2014.

## Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Benton Wingrove

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** March 16, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 16, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Benton Wingrove, 27, shot and killed Adam Lary, 29 following an argument at Cheers, a bar in Dow City, Iowa. After arguing in the bar, Wingrove and Lary left Cheers to take the argument outside. Wingrove eventually returned, out of breath. He then went back outside the bar and witnesses reported hearing multiple gunshots and a car engine revving. Wingrove later called 911 and reported that he shot his pistol at a car that swerved. When police arrived on the scene they found Wingrove with his 40 caliber Springfield Armory pistol laying nearby on the ground. At least 15 bullet casings were found at the scene of the shooting, and the shots struck Lary's Ford Taurus in several locations. Lary was struck in the chest and died at the hospital a short time later. Wingrove was charged with first degree murder and several lesser charges. In August 2013, Wingrove plead guilty to voluntary manslaughter, reckless use of a firearm, and intimidation with a dangerous weapon with the intent to injure or provoke fear. In September 2013, Wingrove was sentenced to 30 years in prison.

Source: "Dow City, Iowa man sentenced for murder," *ktiv.com*, September 27, 2013; "Wingrove pleads guilty," *Denison Bulletin & Review*, August 27, 2013; "Man accused of murder fired 15 shots at victim's car," *Daily Times Herald*, March 26, 2013.

## Kansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ronald Harner

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** June 2, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On June 2, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Ronald Harner, 48, shot and killed his girlfriend, Jolie Crosby, 41, with a five-shot 38 caliber revolver. Harner claimed that the handgun fired unintentionally as he was trying to unload it. As Harner told detectives, "It was cocked. It freaking went off. I didn't think there were even any bullets in the freaking thing. It just went off." Harner was charged with second-degree murder. During his trial, a firearms expert stated that it was unlikely that the revolver would have fired while being unloaded. Although Harner usually carried a 45 caliber handgun, he had borrowed the smaller 38 caliber revolver from a friend so he could carry it in the waistband of his shorts while attending the Wichita River Festival. The night before the shooting, Harner had been stopped at a DUI checkpoint where he failed a sobriety test, having drunk eight beers prior. Upon returning to Crosby's house at 2:00 AM the next day, Crosby asked Harner to unload the .38, afraid that Crosby would fall asleep and that the four children sleeping in the house might find it. On June 10, 2013, Harner was convicted of reckless second-degree murder in the death of Jolie Crosby and faces a minimum of more than nine years in prison.

Source: "Hutchinson man convicted in shooting death of Wichita woman," *The Wichita Eagle*, June 11, 2013; "Murder suspect told detectives that shooting was accidental," *The Wichita Eagle*, June 6, 2013.

## Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kenneth Allen Keith

**PENDING**

**Date:** September 20, 2013

**People Killed:** 3

**Circumstances:** On September 20, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Kenneth Allen Keith, 48, allegedly shot and killed Michael Hockensmith, 35, his wife Angela Hockensmith, 38, and Daniel Smith, 60, at Gold Games and More, a store owned by the Hockensmiths. Smith was a gold broker who was visiting the store, carrying a briefcase with an estimated \$40,000 in cash. Keith allegedly killed the three during the course of a robbery. The shooting happened in the presence of the Hockensmiths' two children ages nine and 14 months. The nine-year-old called 911 after the shooting, telling the dispatcher that his parents were dead, lying on the floor. Keith, a Pulaski county minister, was charged with three counts of murder and one count of robbery.

Source: "Warrants provide more details in Danville triple homicide," *kentucky.com*, October 14, 2013.

## Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Marquinta Jacobs

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** April 3, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On April 3, 2013, U.S. Army Sergeant Marquinta Jacobs, 36, a concealed handgun permit holder, shot and killed Lloyd R. Gibert, 51. Jacobs had returned from a deployment to Afghanistan, during which he had learned that his wife was having an affair with Gibert. Upon his return, Jacobs and his wife reconciled, but the affair apparently continued. According to court testimony, following the discovery of emails from Gibert to his wife, the husband and wife fought and Jacobs left the house. The next day Jacobs drove to Human Resources Command at Fort Knox, Kentucky, where both his wife and Gibert worked. Jacobs entered the building and saw Gibert, recognizing him from his Facebook profile picture. While waiting for his wife in the parking lot, Jacobs saw Gibert walking towards him. Jacobs drove his truck up to Gibert and fired approximately eight times with his 45 caliber handgun, killing him. Jacobs told a judge: "I saw Mr. Gibert as an enemy to my family and decided to eliminate the threat." On January 9, 2014, Jacobs pled guilty to premeditated murder and a charge of aggravated assault with a dangerous weapon. He was sentenced to up to 30 years in prison with parole eligibility after 10 years, received a dishonorable discharge, and was demoted in rank.

Sources: "Accused shooter pleads guilty; Sentenced to 30 years with eligibility of parole," *The News-Enterprise*, January 10, 2014; "Arrest made in Fort Knox shooting death," *UPI*, April 4, 2013.



## Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Christopher Gribbins

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** November 9, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 9, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Christopher Gribbins, 46, shot and killed David Litsey, 22, outside the Raywick Bar and Grill, which Gribbins owned. Litsey had gone to the bar to celebrate his sister's birthday. When questioned by investigators on the night of the shooting, Gribbins denied that he was outside when the shooting took place, and claimed that he did not hear the shot. He also claimed according to a news report that he "heard some black guys had been fighting and some white guys were being drug around outside." A discrimination complaint had been filed against the bar under its former name "Susie's Bottoms Up," prior to Gribbins purchasing the business and renaming it. Later Gribbins changed his story, saying that on the night of the shooting he carried about \$6,000 from the bar in a bag tucked under his jacket and locked it in his truck. He claimed he encountered Litsey on his way back into the bar and that Litsey "got right up on me." Gribbins claimed he pushed Litsey back with his hands on Litsey's chest and that the pistol went off as he was protecting himself. On July 17, 2014, Gribbins was found guilty of wanton murder in the death of David Litsey. The jury recommended a sentence of 20 years in prison.

Source: "Gribbins found guilty of wanton murder," *Lebanon Enterprise*, July 17, 2014; "Man charged with murder in Raywick shooting," *wlky.com*, November 13, 2012.

## Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Gary Tussey

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** May 21, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On May 21, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Gary Tussey took his family to dinner at Cheddars Restaurant in Ashland, Kentucky. After the family had eaten, Gary Tussey stayed inside the restaurant to pay the bill while his wife Brandy took the couple's two children out to the family's SUV. While Brandy Tussey was putting their infant child into a safety seat in the back of the vehicle, two-year-old Addison climbed into the front seat. According to law enforcement, "While the mother was tending to the infant, she heard a 'pop' and looked up and saw her daughter slumped over the passenger seat." The toddler had found a handgun that Gary Tussey had left in the vehicle's center console and fatally shot herself in the face. The case was brought before a grand jury but no criminal liability was found.

Source: "NEW INFO: No Criminal Charges in 2-Year-Old Shooting Death," *WSAZ NewsChannel 3*, June 14, 2011 (most recent story with prior stories and updates beginning May 21, 2011).

## Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Larry Wilson

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** July 31, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On July 31, 2009, Larry Wilson, 55, shot and killed Tod Carter, 38. The shooting came in the wake of an affair between Wilson and Carter's wife, Kristi, a waitress at the Root Beer Stand in Corbin. Kristi Carter described her 16-year marriage as "troubled." Said Carter, "He had a drug problem. I had a cheatin' problem, I guess you could say." In the summer of 2009, Kristi Carter was working her second season at the Root Beer Stand when she first began to talk to Wilson. She complimented his "shiny new Dodge car" while he began leaving her \$50 and \$100 tips. After a brief affair, Kristi and Tod Carter reconciled. Wilson, however, continued to try and leave her tips and sent her flowers once. Kristi Carter said she felt stalked. The night of the shooting, Wilson was eating at the Root Beer Stand when he was confronted by Tod Carter who hit him with his root beer mug, telling him, "I told you I'd get you, you SOB." Wilson admitted he drew his gun and fired, killing Carter, but claimed he did it in self defense. The prosecutor argued that Wilson went to the Root Beer Stand knowing Kristi Carter would be there and that his presence would provoke Tod Carter to confront him. He argued that Wilson couldn't "hide behind" a self-defense argument when he had provoked the incident. Wilson, who had a concealed handgun permit, was found guilty of second-degree manslaughter.

Source: "Wilson guilty of manslaughter," *The Times-Tribune*, March 5, 2010.

## Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Brian McGuire

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** June 9, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On June 9, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Brian McGuire, 27, shot and killed fellow Leestown Middle School custodian Jose Daniel “Danny” Donato, 38, with a Smith & Wesson 9mm pistol. Donato was shot by McGuire 12 times at the school, including in the face, chest, groin, hand, leg, and knee. A total of 15 shell casings were found by his body. Tensions between the two janitors were longstanding, including shouting matches and allegations by McGuire that Donato had intimidated and threatened him with a pocket knife. On November 9, 2010, after four and half hours of deliberation, a jury found McGuire guilty of first-degree manslaughter and unlawful possession of a weapon on school property. The jury recommended the maximum sentence for each charge—20 years for manslaughter and five years for weapons possession—and that they be served concurrently.

Source: “Fayette schools custodian helper is found guilty of manslaughter,” *Lexington Herald-Leader*, November 10, 2010; “Leestown Middle School custodian’s murder trial begins,” *Lexington Herald-Leader*, November 2, 2010.

## Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Seidl

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** August 25, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 25, 2008, William Seidl allegedly shot and killed his wife, Dorene Seidl, in their home. Prior to the shooting, on August 8, 2008, an emergency protection order was issued until Dorene Seidl's petition for a protective order could be heard by a judge. Yet on August 20, 2008, a family court judge denied the order, saying there was not sufficient evidence that domestic violence had occurred. Five days later, Dorene Seidl was shot and died of multiple gunshot wounds. William Seidl, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with murder and arraigned on September 8, 2008.

**Update:** Seidl was convicted in March 2010 of killing his wife. The jury recommended a sentence of 35 years.

Source: "William Seidl verdict: GUILTY," *FOX41.com*, March 19, 2010; "Slain woman feared husband," *The Louisville Courier-Journal*, August 28, 2008; Media Release, Louisville Prosecutor's Office, September 8, 2008.

## Maine

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Merrill “Mike” Kimball

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** October 6, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On October 6, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Merrill “Mike” Kimball, 70, shot and killed Leon Kelley, 63, following a confrontation at Brown’s Bee Farm, a beekeeping business in North Yarmouth, Maine. Kimball was on the property to help his wife, who works at the bee farm, retrieve the honey she had processed. Stan Brown, the owner of the bee farm, said that he had issues with Kimball in the past and he was not allowed on the property. According to Kelley’s stepdaughter Robin Rawnsley-Dutil, Kelley placed his hands on Kimball’s arms “to turn him” and then asked him to wait off the property until the sheriff arrived. At that point, she testified that she heard four gun shots. Kimball acknowledged shooting and killing Kelley but claimed he acted in self-defense. In April 2015, Kimball was found guilty of murder, with the Assistant Attorney General explaining, “People have a right to carry firearms, but the law only provides the use of firearms for defense in very particular, limited circumstances. This was not one of them” Kimball faces a minimum sentence of 25 years in prison.

Source: “Jury delivers guilty verdict in bee farm murder trial,” *wcsh6.com*, April 15, 2015; “Victim’s widow, stepdaughter give different accounts of bee farm shooting,” *Bangor Daily News*, April 7, 2015; “Attorney: Shooting of North Yarmouth man was self-defense,” *pressherald.com*, October 9, 2013.

## Maine

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Matthew Partridge

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 4, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 4, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Matthew Partridge, 30, shot and killed Justin Smith, 26, following an altercation outside a bar. According to prosecutors, Smith punched Partridge while he was sitting in his pickup truck outside the You Know Who's Pub. Smith then retreated with his hands in the air when he saw that Partridge had a gun. Partridge fired two shots from his Sig Sauer handgun, one of which struck Smith in the head. Smith was pronounced dead on his arrival at the hospital. Partridge drove off following the shooting and was apprehended by a state trooper about 20 minutes later. According to Partridge's mother, he obtained a concealed weapon permit several months before the shooting. In August 2013, Partridge pleaded guilty to manslaughter and was sentenced to 25 years in prison with 10 of those years suspended, and four years of probation.

Source: "Matthew Partridge pleads guilty to shooting man outside Waterville pub," *sunjournal.com*, August 7, 2013; "Guilty plea nets Winslow man 15 years in Waterville shooting," *Portland Press Herald*, August 7, 2013.

## Maryland

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Charles Edward “Pete” Richter Jr.

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** April 3, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On April 3, 2011, Charles Edward “Pete” Richter Jr., 66, shot and killed his neighbor Mark Xander, 55, after Xander’s Rottweiler went on to Richter’s property. Richter’s defense attorney told a judge deciding bail that Richter had a permit to carry a handgun issued by the Maryland State Police. Richter was charged with first-degree murder, second-degree murder, manslaughter, first-degree assault, second-degree assault, and use of a handgun in a felony crime.

**UPDATE:** On May 17, 2012, Charles Edward “Pete” Richter Jr. was found guilty of second-degree murder and the use of a handgun to commit a crime of violence in the death of Mark Xander.

Source: “Richter guilty of 2<sup>nd</sup>-degree murder,” *stardem.com*, May 18, 2012; “Stevensville man, accused of killing neighbor in dispute over dog, claims self defense,” *cecilwhig.com*, April 7, 2011.



## Maryland

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Paul Warren Pardus

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** September 16, 2010

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On September 16, 2010, Virginia concealed handgun permit holder Paul Warren Pardus, 50, shot and wounded Johns Hopkins Hospital physician David B. Cohen with a semiautomatic handgun Pardus had hidden in his waistband. Pardus then retreated to a room where he shot and killed his 84-year-old mother, Jean Davis, before taking his own life at the Baltimore, MD, hospital. According to Police Commissioner Frederick H. Bealefeld III, Pardus “became emotionally distraught and reacted...and was overwhelmed by the news of his mother’s condition.” Pardus’ mother suffered from arthritis and rheumatism and had undergone surgery the prior week. Regarding the possible motive for the attack, Pardus’ brother stated, “I guess because he thought my mom was suffering because the surgery wasn’t successful and she probably wouldn’t be able to walk again. She was a dear, sweet lady.”

Source: “Distraught Hopkins Gunman Kills Self, Mom,” *cbsnews.com*, September 16, 2010; Arlington County, Virginia Circuit Court record of Commonwealth Response to Concealed Handgun Permit Application.

## Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Stephen Pasceri

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** January 20, 2015

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On January 20, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Stephen Pasceri, 55, shot and killed Dr. Michael Davidson, 44, at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts before turning the gun on himself. Pasceri reportedly asked for Dr. Davidson and sought him out before the shooting. Pasceri's mother was reportedly treated by Dr. Davidson before she died in November 2014. According to Pasceri's sister, he had been handling her death well. She said, "This was not a bad, evil man. Something happened, and I don't know what."

Source: "Boston cardiac surgeon dies hours after hospital shooting," *UPI.com*, January 21, 2015; "Stephen Pasceri: 5 Fast Facts You Need to Know," *heavy.com*, January 20, 2015.

## Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Unknown

**UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** September 29, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 29, 2012, David Wade, 17, was allegedly shot and killed by his 21-year-old brother, in the basement of their family home. Wade died of a single gunshot wound to the chest. Wade's brother, who was recently licensed to carry a firearm, was not charged in the shooting as it appeared to be accidental.

Source: "Stoughton, Mass. teen dies after being shot in chest," *www.necn.com*, September 29, 2012.

## Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** David H. McCall

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** March 28, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 28, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder David H. McCall, 72, allegedly shot and killed his wife, Elaine, 69, with a handgun. According to news reports, the shooting occurred during an argument between the two in which Elaine Hall “vowed to quit cooking and caring” for Hall, and “ridiculed” him for missing her with his first shot. Police first heard of the incident when McCall dialed 911 that morning to report a murder and a suicide, apparently indicating that he was planning to take his own life. When police arrived, McCall was sitting in a chair in the kitchen, a medical walker in front of him. Elaine McCall was lying face up next to the front door, still alive. She was later pronounced dead at a local hospital. McCall reportedly told police that the two were standing near the front entrance of their home when they began arguing. McCall’s first shot missed his wife, but his second hit her in the chest. After the shooting McCall walked to the kitchen, where he apparently failed in an attempt to shoot himself. In court proceedings, the retired accountant “appeared weary and bewildered” and had to be lifted from his wheelchair and held up by court officers during the 15-minute legal proceeding. Hall was charged with murder and discharging a firearm within 500 feet of a building. He entered a plea of not guilty.

**UPDATE:** On September 25, 2012, David McCall pleaded guilty to second degree murder and three counts of improper storage of a firearm in the murder of his wife Elaine. McCall was sentenced to life in prison.

Source: “McCall pleads guilty to murdering wife,” *Wakefield Patch*, September 25, 2012; “Wakefield man killed wife, authorities say,” *Boston Globe*, March 29, 2011.

## Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jerry Bourque

**PENDING**

**Date:** September 7, 2010

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On September 7, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Jerry Bourque, 25, allegedly shot and killed Lakeem Tombs, 18, and Virgilio Dipre, 19, following an altercation that escalated into a gun battle that left Bourque hospitalized in critical but stable condition with six gunshot wounds. According to Bourque's mother, Bourque told her that he and a friend were sitting on his front steps when Tombs and Dipre approached and asked if they knew a woman named Veronica. Bourque answered in the negative, and the two men left. They returned moments later and asked Bourque to confirm the street they were on. They then allegedly began pistol-whipping Bourque, who drew his revolver and began firing. Police investigating the shooting executed a search warrant on Bourque's home and removed a number of items from the house. Malden Mayor Richard C. Howard said that drugs were recovered at the scene, but that it was unclear whether they had played a role in the gunfight. Howard told the press that authorities believe the shooting was not random, stating, "These people were there for some specific reason." State police assigned to the District Attorney's office are continuing to investigate the incident.

Source: "Second man dies after Salem Street shooting," *boston.com*, September 10, 2010; "1 killed, 2 wounded in Malden shoot-out," *boston.com*, September 8, 2010.

## Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Brian Marchand

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** February 1, 2010

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On February 1, 2010, Brian Marchand shot and killed his 17-year-old daughter and severely wounded his wife with a 9mm handgun before turning the gun on himself. Police received two 911 hang-up calls from the Marchand home and immediately called back. Olivia, a cheerleader and volleyball player at Westford Academy, answered and said “she was all set and there isn’t a problem.” Shots then rang out over the phone. Police rushed to the scene and found three bodies on the floor, with Marchand’s wife clinging to her life. According to the District Attorney, the Marchands were having some “marital discord” and financial trouble. Marchand had a concealed handgun permit and was an avid hunter.

Source: “Cops: Westford man kills daughter, self in triple shooting;” *Boston Herald*, February 2, 2010.

## Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** John P. Tassinari

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** April 22, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On April 22, 2008, concealed handgun permit holder John P. Tassinari shot and killed his wife and mother of his one-year-old son Barbara Tassinari because he thought she was having an affair. Tassinari used two .45 handguns to repeatedly shoot his wife in the driveway of their home. After the shooting, Tassinari called 911 and said, “My wife has been cheating on me, and I just shot her dead. Please come arrest me....I’m sorry.” Barbara Tassinari’s older brother and next door neighbor Francis Scolaro—who also possessed a concealed handgun permit—heard the shooting, arrived with a .32 handgun, found his sister’s body and forced Tassinari to the ground, holding the gun to his head while vowing to shoot and kill him. Scolaro was disarmed at gunpoint by Abington police officer Ronald Sweeney. Barbara Tassinari’s family described John Tassinari as “infamously obsessive,” stating that he needed his hair shaved every Friday, would wear shorts every day throughout the year, would make sure that his wife would never have any cash, and would demand receipts for every purchase she made. On his MySpace page, John Tassinari described himself as a gun enthusiast and firearms safety instructor who loved “cars, guns, motorcycles, vodka, and A/V equipment.” John Tassinari was issued his concealed handgun permit in 2004. He was charged with one count of murder and held without bail.

**UPDATE:** On November 1, 2010, John Tassinari was found guilty of first degree murder and sentenced to life in prison without parole. “It was an execution,” Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz said after the verdict was read. According to the medical examiner who performed the autopsy on Barbara Tassinari’s body, the damage was so extensive that it was difficult to tell how many times she’d been shot. “Justice was served, absolutely,” said neighbor Anne Irwin, who had witnessed Barbara Tassinari falling in her driveway, calling her husband a “sick, sick guy.”

Source: “Brother of Abington’s Barbara Tassinari: Murder verdict against her husband ‘couldn’t have gone any other way,’” *Enterpriseneews.com*, November 2, 2010; “Victim’s kin say spouse was controlling;” *Boston Globe*, April 25, 2008; “Abington husband charged with murder,” *Boston Globe*, April 23, 2008.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Alonzo Long, Jr.

**PENDING**

**Date:** November 2014

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** In November 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Alonzo Long, Jr., 22, allegedly shot and killed Howard Franklin, 72, and Catherine Franklin, 37 following a dispute over a foreclosed home in Detroit. Long had been helping family members move belongings from the foreclosed home when he allegedly went inside and shot the father and daughter a total of nine times. Howard Franklin was shot seven times, and Catherine Franklin twice. Long claimed he fired in self defense after seeing Howard Franklin with a gun, but according to police, Howard Franklin's .38 special revolver was found in his shirt pocket with five unspent rounds and had not been fired. Long was charged with murder and weapons charges.

Source: "Man to be tried in foreclosure dispute slayings," *Detroit News*, January 6, 2015.



## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Martin Edward Zale

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** September 2, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** Concealed handgun permit holder Martin Edward Zale, 69, allegedly shot and killed Derek Flemming, 43, on September 2, 2014 near Howell, Michigan. According to Flemming's attorney, Flemming and his wife were driving on their way to pick up their kids from the first day of school, when they saw Zale "screaming down a side street" in a Dodge pickup. Zale cut them off and moved in front of them, then cut to the left and slammed on his brakes when Flemming tried to maneuver away. When both of them were at a traffic light, Flemming got out of his vehicle and approached the pickup. According to witnesses, Zale rolled his window down and shot Flemming in the face. Zale has been charged with murder. His family is claiming he acted in self-defense, citing the principle of "stand your ground."

**UPDATE:** On May 14, 2015, Martin Edward Zale was found guilty of second degree murder in the death of Derek Flemming. Zale was sentenced to 25 to 50 years for the murder charge and 32 months to four years for discharging a firearm from a vehicle. He was also sentenced to serve a two-year sentence for related felony firearms convictions, running consecutively to the murder charge for a minimum of 27 years. Zale was also ordered to pay \$4,160 in restitution for funeral services.

Source: "Road-rage shooter gets 27-50 years in prison," *Livingston Daily*, June 13, 2015; "Jury: Zale guilty of second-degree murder," *Livingston Daily*, May 14, 2015; "'Stand your ground' defense raised in road rage case," *Detroit Free-Press*, October 7, 2014; "Road rage shooter charged with murder," *Livingston Daily*, September 4, 2014.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Noland Brown

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** June 4, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On June 4, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Noland Brown, 49, shot and killed his next-door neighbor Deryl Bohannon, 57, with a single-shot handgun, following a dispute over money. Brown claimed that Bohannon came to his house to confront him and he acted in self-defense, but the prosecutor stated that Brown lied to police and shot Bohannon because he owed him money. Bohannon was shot in the leg outside Brown's home and bled to death. The assistant prosecutor in the case argued, "Any number of times he could've gone back into the house, called police or walked away." In March 2015, Brown was convicted of manslaughter and faces up to 15 years in prison.

Source: "Eastpointe man convicted of manslaughter in shooting of neighbor," *The Macomb Daily*, March 20, 2015.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holders:** James Pullam and Robert Taylor

### **SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT**

**Date:** September 18, 2013

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On September 18, 2013, concealed handgun permit holders James Pullam, 43, and Robert Taylor, 56, shot and killed each other following a road rage incident. According to police, the dispute began when one car was tailgating the other. Both men pulled into the parking lot of a local car wash and exited their vehicles. According to witnesses, the tailgating driver fired first, followed by the other driver. Both men were transported to a local hospital where they were pronounced dead. Both men were licensed to carry concealed weapons and fired handguns in the incident.

Source: "2 Concealed Carry Holders Kill Each Other In Road Rage Incident," *The Huffington Post*, September 19, 2013.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Joshua M. Greenhill

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** August 18, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 18, 2013, three-year-old Damon Holbrook found a loaded .40 handgun in concealed handgun permit holder Joshua M. Greenhill's house and unintentionally shot himself in the head. Two families and Joshua Greenhill lived in the house where the shooting took place. According to police, on the day of the shooting, Greenhill came home from work and placed the loaded handgun in an unlocked case in his closet. While the adults of the house were talking in another room, Damon Holbrook found the gun in the closet and pulled the trigger. In October 2013, Greenhill was sentenced to serve a year in jail after pleading no contest to a charge of careless discharge of a firearm causing injury or death. In addition to the year in jail, Greenhill will also have to surrender his firearm and his concealed weapons permit was revoked. He was also ordered to pay over \$3,000 in fines and costs and will be on probation for two years.

Source: "Dundee man gets year in jail for child's accidental gun death," *monroenews.com*, October 31, 2013.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013

**People Killed:** 3

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013, Michigan State Police report that one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of second degree murder, and two Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated causing death. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013*, Michigan State Police.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**PENDING**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013

**People Killed:** 3

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013, Michigan State Police report that three Michigan concealed handgun permit holders had criminal homicide charges pending against them. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the alleged offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon allegedly used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013*, Michigan State Police.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013

**People Killed:** 28

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013, Michigan State Police report that 28 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013*, Michigan State Police.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** FerDarius Shine

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** February 15, 2013

**People Killed:** 3

**Circumstances:** On February 15, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Ferdarius Shine, 28, allegedly shot and killed his 68-year-old grandmother Geraldine Bates, and his aunt, Santangela Williams, 49. His seven-year-old daughter was also wounded in the shooting. According to police, Shine was at his grandmother's house when he began acting erratically, "talking about Satan, God, and the Devil," before opening fire on his grandmother, aunt, and daughter. Bates and Williams died at the house, while his daughter was rushed to the hospital in critical condition. Shine's mother told police that he is "possessed," and according to police sources, after the shooting he left the house screaming, "The Devil made me do it." Early on the morning of February 16, 2013, Shine checked himself into a local hospital for psychiatric evaluation. On February 21, 2013, Shine was charged with two counts of first degree murder, three counts of assault with intent to murder, and one count of felony firearm.

**UPDATE:** On March 22, 2013, Shine's seven-year-old daughter Amera Jones died from complications resulting from her gunshot wounds.

**UPDATE:** In April 2014, Shine was found guilty of first-degree murder in the deaths of Geraldine Bates, Santangela Williams, and Amera Jones. He faces a mandatory penalty of life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Source: "Man guilty of murdering daughter, grandma, aunt," *myfoxdetroit.com*, April 8, 2014; "Amera Jones, seven-year-old gunshot victim once expected to live, dies," *The Detroit News*, March 28, 2013; "Man charged with 2 counts of murder in deaths of aunt, grandmother in Detroit," *Detroit Free Press*, February 21, 2013; "Suspect in triple Detroit shooting turns himself in, sought psychiatric evaluation," *clickondetroit.com*, February 15, 2013.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James Robert Curry

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** August 27, 2012

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On August 27, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder James Robert Curry, 61, shot his wife, Peggy Curry, in the head, killing her. Curry then attempted to kill himself by firing two shots below his chin. The couple were later found in bed by authorities. James Robert Curry, critically injured, died four days later. According to his daughter, James Robert Curry was a Vietnam veteran who had struggled with post-traumatic stress disorder and had been off his medication. News reports stated that he was a hunter with many guns in his home. Curry and his wife married in 2008.

Source: "Man in apparent murder-suicide attempt dies; He and his wife were found at home just outside of Stockbridge," *Jackson Citizen Patriot*, September 1, 2012.



## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Blake Hullihen

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 7, 2011

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On December 7, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Blake Hullihen, 27, shot and killed Gabrielle Woodworth and Donald Feneis in a child custody dispute with Woodworth over their six-year-old daughter. The shootings occurred outside Chuck's Corners Citgo station, a location that Hullihen and Woodworth used as a custody exchange point for their daughter. Hullihen testified in court that he was "shocked and devastated" when a court order awarded Woodworth primary custody of their daughter. On the day of the shooting, Hullihen arrived at the drop off point without their daughter and an argument ensued. Hullihen claimed that Feneis pulled something from his pocket which Hullihen thought was a weapon. The object was later identified to be a cell phone. Hullihen began firing, shooting Woodworth and Feneis 17 times, unloading two magazines from his 45 caliber pistol before fleeing the scene. Hullihen testified that he regularly carried his pistol and wore a bullet-proof vest when exchanging custody of his daughter. Hullihen's attorney claimed the shootings were an unfortunate event that took place because Hullihen believed his life was in danger. The State's Prosecutor called the incident a "cold-blooded murder...a planned execution of two people." On January 28, 2013, Hullihen was found guilty of two counts of second degree murder and two counts of felony firearm charges.

Source: "Hullihen convicted of second degree murder," *The Clare County Review*, February 1, 2013.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012

**People Killed:** 56

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012, Michigan State Police report that 56 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012*, Michigan State Police.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012, Michigan State Police report that one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated causing death. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012*, Michigan State Police.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**PENDING**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012

**People Killed:** 3

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012, Michigan State Police report that three Michigan concealed handgun permit holders had criminal homicide charges pending against them. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the alleged offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon allegedly used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012*, Michigan State Police.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012

**People Killed:** 3

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012, Michigan State Police report that three Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of criminal homicide. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012*, Michigan State Police.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011, Michigan State Police report that two Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated causing death. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011*, Michigan State Police.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011

**People Killed:** 29

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011, Michigan State Police report that 29 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensure Annual Report, July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011*, Michigan State Police, [http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2011\\_CPL\\_Report\\_376632\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2011_CPL_Report_376632_7.pdf).

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**PENDING**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011

**People Killed:** 5

**Law Enforcement Officers Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011, Michigan State Police report that five Michigan concealed handgun permit holders had criminal homicide charges pending against them. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the alleged offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon allegedly used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensure Annual Report, July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011*, Michigan State Police, [http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2011\\_CPL\\_Report\\_376632\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2011_CPL_Report_376632_7.pdf).

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011

**People Killed:** 4

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011, Michigan State Police report that four Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of criminal homicide. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensure Annual Report, July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011*, Michigan State Police, [http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2011\\_CPL\\_Report\\_376632\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2011_CPL_Report_376632_7.pdf).

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Justin Luckhardt

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** July 13, 2010

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On July 13, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Justin Luckhardt, 32, shot and killed Kim Luchie, 25, at the Cabin bar in what news reports described as a “jealous, race-fueled rage” before taking his own life. Luckhardt was separated from his wife and was convinced she had an African-American boyfriend. Luckhardt, who had been golfing that day with friends, had already split a 12-pack of beer and four shots when he first visited the Cabin that night for more beer—the first of three visits. Once there, he saw Luchie, an African-American, drinking with Luckhardt’s sister-in-law. Luckhardt’s rage grew between his repeated visits to the bar. According to one of his golfing partners, “Justin was mad and was talking that right now he could kill them. And to prove that, he opened up his trunk and pulled a rifle bag out.” In the bag was an assault rifle. Luckhardt also kept a bulletproof vest in the trunk. Police believe Luckhardt kept the rifle in the trunk because of an anti-gun sentiment in his family. On his third visit to the Cabin, Luckhardt walked by four unarmed police officers who were celebrating a promotion and shot and killed Luchie with a .357 Glock pistol with a 10-round clip. Luchie, who had a long-time girlfriend, was not romantically involved with Luckhardt’s wife or his in-laws. He died from multiple shots to his neck, chest, and abdomen. Luckhardt then left the bar in his Nissan automobile. The officers called in the incident, and a police chase ensued. Luckhardt eventually crashed his car and committed suicide. He left behind a suicide note he had drafted between visits to the bar.

Source: “Jealousy, rage and race: Behind the Cabin tragedy,” *Morning Sun*, August 10, 2010.



## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Hayes Bacall

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** July 2, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On July 2, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Hayes Bacall, 51, shot and killed his nephew Saif Jameel, 33, in a confrontation over a \$400,000 debt. Bacall shot Jameel 10 times in the office of Jameel's BP gas station. The confrontation stemmed from money Jameel had borrowed from Bacall for a construction project that included a Starbucks. Bacall claimed Jameel had stopped making payments on the loan. Bacall was convicted of first degree murder and was scheduled to be sentenced to life in prison without parole.

Source: "Jury convicts Detroit businessman for killing nephew over debt," *Detroit Free Press*, August 18, 2011; "Defendant re-enacts shooting scene," *Detroit Free Press*, August 12, 2011.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010

**People Killed:** 43

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010, Michigan State Police report that 43 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: "Concealed Pistol Licensure Annual Report, July 1, 2009–June 30, 2010," Michigan State Police, [http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2009-10\\_CPL\\_Annual\\_Report\\_343621\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2009-10_CPL_Annual_Report_343621_7.pdf).

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**PENDING**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010

**People Killed:** 3

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010, Michigan State Police report that three Michigan concealed handgun permit holders had criminal homicide charges pending against them. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the alleged offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon allegedly used in the homicide.

Source: "Concealed Pistol Licensure Annual Report, July 1, 2009–June 30, 2010," Michigan State Police, [http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2009-10\\_CPL\\_Annual\\_Report\\_343621\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2009-10_CPL_Annual_Report_343621_7.pdf).

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010

**People Killed:** 3

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010, Michigan State Police report that three Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of criminal homicide. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: "Concealed Pistol Licensure Annual Report, July 1, 2009–June 30, 2010," Michigan State Police, [http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2009-10\\_CPL\\_Annual\\_Report\\_343621\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2009-10_CPL_Annual_Report_343621_7.pdf).

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Edward Bell

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** May 12, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On May 12, 2010, Geraldine Jackson, a 69-year-old Detroit grandmother, was unintentionally shot and killed by a stray bullet fired by concealed handgun permit holder Edward Bell, 65. The bullet—which “slammed through” the wall of her home—struck her in the chest, killing her as she was preparing dinner for her granddaughter and a close friend. According to police, Bell was working on a house in the neighborhood when he was robbed with a fake gun by 19-year-old Antwan Hall and Bell’s Chevrolet Suburban sport utility vehicle was stolen. As the alleged thief drove away, Bell fired at him with a .45 handgun, resulting in the SUV crashing into a tree. Police believe that it was one of these bullets that ended Jackson’s life. Hall was charged with felony murder. No charges have yet been filed against Bell.

**UPDATE:** In July 2010, Bell pleaded guilty to a felony charge of firing at a building and agreed to one year of probation, with the first four months in jail. A manslaughter charge was dismissed in exchange for testimony and cooperation in prosecuting the carjacking suspect, Antwan Hall. Calling the deal unjust, Geraldine Jackson’s daughter Coretta Stoudemire, stated, “I know how everybody’s saying, ‘Poor Mr. Bell this and poor Mr. Bell that.’ What about my mother? What about our family?”

Source: “Edward Bell to get probation deal in shooting death of grandmother—Slain grandmother’s family fumes over deal,” *Detroit Free Press*, July 9, 2010; “Grandmother Killed by Stray Bullet Laid to Rest,” [www.myfoxdetroit.com](http://www.myfoxdetroit.com), May 19, 2010; “Victim of Stray Bullet Remembered,” [www.wxyz.com](http://www.wxyz.com), May 14, 2010; “Charges Likely in Accidental Shooting of Geraldine Jackson,” [www.myfoxdetroit.com](http://www.myfoxdetroit.com), May 13, 2010; “Stray bullet kills Detroit woman in her home,” *Detroit News*, May 13, 2010; “Woman, 69, Killed by Stray Bullet,” [www.clickondetroit.com](http://www.clickondetroit.com), May 12, 2010.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tigh Croff

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 27, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 27, 2009, Tigh Croff allegedly shot and killed Herbert Silas after Silas and another man were reportedly attempting to burglarize his home. While one of the pair escaped, Croff confronted Silas—who was unarmed—in his backyard. According to a news report, Silas asked Croff, “What are you going to do? Shoot me?” To which Croff replied, “Absolutely,” before firing a bullet into Silas’ chest. Croff, who had a permit to carry a handgun, was charged with second degree murder.

**Update:** Croff was convicted of manslaughter on January 18, 2011. He was sentenced to a mandatory two years in prison for using a firearm in the commission of a felony and three years probation for the manslaughter charge.

Source: “Conviction of Tigh Croff, Detroit homeowner who killed burglar, proof that justice can frustrate,” *Mlive.com*, January 19, 2011; “Detroit man gets minimum sentence in vigilante shooting,” *The Detroit News*, February 19, 2011; “Family defends Detroit homeowner charged after shooting unarmed burglary suspect,” *Mlive.com*, January 4, 2010.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jamar Pinkney, Sr.

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** November 16, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 16, 2009, Jamar Pinkney, Sr. allegedly shot and killed his 15-year-old son after the teen confessed to inappropriate sexual contact with a three-year-old. Witnesses said that Pinkney, Sr. seemed calm at a family meeting to discuss the incident but then suddenly erupted in a rage, punching, kicking, and pistol whipping the teen before stripping off the boy's clothes, marching him to a nearby field, and shooting him fatally once in the head. Pinkney is charged with first-degree premeditated murder, three counts of felonious assault, and one count of felony firearm.

**UPDATE:** In April 2010, Pinkney was found guilty of second-degree murder, and ordered to serve 37 to 82 years in prison. He was also convicted of three counts of assault for threatening other family members with the handgun. Sentences of two to four years are to be served concurrently with the sentence for second-degree murder and use of a firearm during the commission of a felony crime. Pinkney was also ordered to pay \$6,600 for his son's funeral expenses. At his sentencing, Pinkney stated, "I am truly sorry for what I did. I'm sad about losing my son...I am horrified by what I did."

Source: "Judge slams door on killer dad," *The Detroit News*, April 15, 2010; "Aunt says slain teen pleaded for life," *The Detroit News*, December 1, 2009.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Harlan Drake

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** September 11, 2009

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On September 11, 2009, Harlan Drake, 33, allegedly opened fire from a passing vehicle, killing anti-abortion activist James Pouillon, 63. The shooting occurred at 7:20 AM outside Owosso High School, a site of frequent anti-abortion protests by Pouillon. Multiple witnesses, including high school students, gave police the license plate number of Drake's vehicle. Arrested approximately an hour after the shooting, Drake reportedly told authorities that he had been involved in an earlier shooting. Police were soon made aware of the murder of Michael Fuoss, owner of Fuoss Gravel. Fuoss was found dead in his office with multiple gunshot wounds. A 22 caliber gun and 45 caliber gun were sought in the killings. Pouillon and Fuoss were two of the three people police say Drake wanted to kill. Drake, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with two counts of murder, possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony, and possessing a weapon with unlawful intent. Drake will be using an insanity defense at his trial.

**UPDATE:** On Thursday, April 22, 2010, Harlan Drake was found guilty of first-degree premeditated murder in the shooting deaths of James Pouillon and Michael Fuoss. Jurors rejected Drake's claim that he was legally insane at the time of the shootings. Drake was sentenced to life in prison for the killings.

Source: "Double murderer Harlan Drake gets mandatory life sentence for 2009 killings," *Argus-Press*, April 22, 2010; "Insanity defense to be used in protester slaying," *Associated Press*, January 15, 2010; "UPDATE: Owosso man charged in fatal shootings," *BattleCreek Enquirer.com*, September 11, 2009; "UPDATE: Victims identified in Owosso shootings," *ConnectMidMichigan.com*, September 11, 2009.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kevin Hoover

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** July 21, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On July 21, 2009, Kevin Hoover, 23, allegedly shot his father-in-law, Andre Settler, 43, during an argument that occurred during Hoover's backyard birthday party. According to his wife Cassaundra, Hoover was carrying the 45 caliber handgun during the party: "He had the handgun on his side since he woke up that morning...on his right hip in a holster." At approximately 9:50 PM Hoover and Settler, both of whom had been drinking, got into an argument, with Settler striking Hoover. According to Hoover's wife, "It just happened out of nowhere....He got struck a couple of times and he fell back and I heard gunshots." Hoover fled after the shooting and visited his mother, giving her the handgun. According to his mother, Hoover "was holding his face in his hands and crying and saying, 'I can't believe this happened.'" Hoover then traveled to the home of his aunt, Vickie Haymer, who helped him surrender to police. "I knew something wasn't right," said Haymer, who described Hoover as intoxicated and not himself. Hoover, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with open murder and use of a firearm in the commission of a felony.

**UPDATE:** On April 16, 2010, Kevin Hoover was sentenced to 25 to 50 years in prison plus two years for use of a firearm in the commission of a felony for his second-degree murder conviction in the death of Andre Settler. "If only people would learn to avoid the volatile mix of drugs, alcohol and guns we wouldn't be here today," Judge James Kingsley stated.

Source: "Man sentenced for shooting death," *BattleCreekEnquirer.com*, April 16, 2010; "Woman testifies in father's shooting," *BattleCreekEnquirer.com*, August 19, 2009.



## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009

**People Killed:** 28

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009, Michigan State Police report that 28 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: "Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, Statewide Totals, General Information, July 1, 2008–June 30, 2009," Michigan State Police, [http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/CPL\\_Annual\\_Report\\_2008-2009\\_307251\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/CPL_Annual_Report_2008-2009_307251_7.pdf).

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Arlando Davis

# **SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT**

**Date:** May 24, 2009

**People Killed:** 1 (by permit holder)

**Circumstances:** On May 24, 2009, Arlando Davis shot and killed Jarmel Hodges following a dispute about a loud party. Police said that it appeared the dispute started in the street between the two men over a loud party which included someone firing shots. Davis and Hodges both fired shots at each other and each died from his wounds. Davis had a concealed handgun permit.

Source: "2 die in Sunday shooting," *Battle Creek Enquirer*, May 25, 2009.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Salam Shaker Zora

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 23, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 23, 2009, Salam Shaker Zora, 41, of Saginaw, shot and killed his brother-in-law Najem Matti, 37. Zora had gone to Matti's home to confront him about an alleged theft of \$250,000 that had been hidden in a pickle bucket in a shed at one of Zora's homes. The "family meeting" was to discuss a proposal by Zora, who was accompanied by his two brothers, to have Matti swear on a Bible in a Catholic church that he hadn't stolen the money. During trial, the defense said that the shooting was in self-defense, claiming that during the confrontation Matti suddenly pointed to his forehead and stated, "Shoot me right here. I don't want this life." The defense claimed that he then ran into the kitchen and returned with a barbecue fork, uttering a Chaldean (an ancient region of Mesopotamia) war cry and advanced toward Zora. Assistant Prosecutor Steve Kaplan noted, however, that Zora lied and omitted information during interviews with police. He also argued that the pattern of gunshot wounds and the position of the bullets recovered at the scene suggested that Zora had continued to shoot Matti after he'd already fallen to the ground. Zora's only witness, his brother Maher Zora, said his brother had a concealed handgun permit and often carried a gun, but was surprised when gunfire broke out. Salam Shaker Zora was found guilty of second-degree murder.

Source: "Jury finds second-degree murder in Sterling man's death," *candgnews*, date on printout listed as September 23, 2009; "Suspect in brother-in-law's murder appears in court," *candgnews.com*, date on printout listed as April 22, 2009.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Troy Brake

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** September 29, 2008

**People Killed:** 4

**Circumstances:** On September 29, 2008, Troy Brake, 31, shot to death 52-year-old Sharmaine Zimmer, her sons, Tyler (age 17) and Jeremy (age 20), and beat to death Jeremy's girlfriend, university student Katherine Brown (age 18). Brake once lived next door to the Zimmers and had lived with them for a time while growing up. At trial, the jury was told that Brake shot the Zimmers to death in order to have sex with Brown, and that he then doused the lower half of Brown's body with gasoline. The Zimmers' house was set on fire and destroyed. A month after the attack, police arrested Brake for beating up a prostitute and found that a 40 caliber Glock pistol owned by Brake was linked to the earlier murders. Brake, who had a concealed handgun permit, was convicted of first degree murder in the deaths of the Zimmer family and Katherine Brown. He was also convicted of assault and rape of the prostitute he had attacked.

Source: "Victims' families applaud investigators, prosecutor after Troy Brake is found guilty of four Wright Township murders," *The Grand Rapids Press*, May 28, 2009; "Jurors will have Troy Brake's testimony to consider Thursday," *The Grand Rapids Press*, March 25, 2009.

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008

**People Killed:** 29

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008, Michigan State Police report that 29 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: "Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, Statewide Totals, General Information, July 1, 2007–June 30, 2008," Michigan State Police, [http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/CPL\\_Annual\\_Report\\_2007-2008\\_269128\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/CPL_Annual_Report_2007-2008_269128_7.pdf).

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**PENDING**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008

**People Killed:** 5

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008, Michigan State Police report that five Michigan concealed handgun permit holders had criminal homicide charges pending against them. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the alleged offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon allegedly used in the homicide.

Source: "Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, Statewide Totals, General Information, July 1, 2007–June 30, 2008," Michigan State Police, [http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/CPL\\_Annual\\_Report\\_2007-2008\\_269128\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/CPL_Annual_Report_2007-2008_269128_7.pdf).

## Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** Between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008, Michigan State Police report that one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of negligent homicide. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: "Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, Statewide Totals, General Information, July 1, 2007–June 30, 2008," Michigan State Police, [http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/CPL\\_Annual\\_Report\\_2007-2008\\_269128\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/CPL_Annual_Report_2007-2008_269128_7.pdf).

## Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Lepierre Carpenter

**PENDING**

**Date:** August 3, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 3, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Lepierre Carpenter, 24, allegedly shot and killed Parnell Robinson, 26, outside the apartment complex where he lived. Carpenter's sister told police that Carpenter and Robinson had been arguing about drugs on Facebook for the past few months. According to news reports, on the day of the shooting, Robinson saw a male friend pass by and yelled, "Where your fat — going?" and teased the friend for letting his girlfriend make him walk to the store, even though he had a car. Shots were fired and Robinson fell to the ground. When Robinson's girlfriend asked Carpenter why he allegedly shot, he replied, "That's what he gets for talking ----." When police arrived, Carpenter put his hands on his head and said, "it's me....I let my rage get the best of me." He also reportedly asked police, "How much time do you think I'm looking at for something like this?" According to the medical examiner, Robinson was shot twice with one bullet going through his heart, and the other striking his neck and ending up at the base of his skull. Carpenter was arrested and charged with second degree murder.

Source: "Charge: St. Paul killer says rage prompted him to fatally shoot man in back," *Minneapolis Star-Tribune*, August 5, 2015.

## Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** 2014

**People Killed:** 3

**Circumstances:** Between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety reported that among the reported convictions of individuals with permits were three homicide offenses, which consist of murder and non-negligent manslaughter, negligent manslaughter, assisting suicide, or criminal vehicular homicide.

Source: *2014 Permit to Carry Report*, State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, March 1, 2015.



## Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ted Hoffstrom  
**SHOT AND KILLED BY POLICE**

**Date:** November 15, 2013

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On November 15, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Ted Hoffstrom, 30, traveled to the home of Dr. Stephen Larson, 74, where, after a brief argument, he shot and killed the doctor. Fourteen minutes later Hoffstrom was shot and killed by police. Hoffstrom, who worked at a liquor store, had attained a law degree, and just passed the bar, had been born with his hands and feet attached to his body. They had to be surgically detached, resulting in ongoing medical issues, including occasionally walking with a limp. Hoffstrom blamed Larson, who had been his mother's physician, for his birth defects. According to news reports, Hoffstrom had recently obtained a concealed handgun permit and then purchased the handgun used to kill Larson.

Source: "Orono shooting suspected blamed OB/GYN for birth defect, friends say," [www.myfoxtwincities.com](http://www.myfoxtwincities.com), November 20, 2013.

## Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety reported that among the reported convictions of individuals with permits was one Homicide Offense - Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter, Negligent Manslaughter, Assisting Suicide, or Criminal Vehicular Homicide.

Source: *2013 Permit to Carry Report*, State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, March 1, 2014.

## Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kao Xiong

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 5, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 5, 2012, a four-year-old boy unintentionally shot and killed his two-year-old brother while playing with their father's handgun. The boys' father Kao Xiong, 31, had a concealed handgun permit and was at home at the time of the shooting. According to police, Xiong had eight guns in the family's two bedroom home at the time of the shooting. The gun used in the shooting was stashed between the bed and the mattress in Xiong's bedroom. Xiong was charged with second degree manslaughter and child endangerment, with a trial date set for May 20, 2013.

**UPDATE:** In May 2013, Kao Xiong was convicted of manslaughter and child endangerment. On June 27, 2013, Xiong was sentenced to probation and time served, and was ordered to spend 100 hours talking to the Hmong community about gun safety. Sentencing guidelines called for a four-year prison term, but the Hennepin County Attorney and the judge in the case agreed that Xiong had taken responsibility for his son's death.

Source: "No prison for Kao Xiong, dad whose unsecured gun was used by 4-year-old to kill brother, 2," *citypages.com*, June 27, 2013; "Father of Minneapolis toddler killed in accidental shooting will stand trial," *Minneapolis Star-Tribune*, March 19, 2013; "Toddler shot to death by brother at Minneapolis home," *Minneapolis Star-Tribune*, December 5, 2012.

## Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Andrew Engeldinger

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** September 27, 2012

**People Killed:** 7 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On September 27, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Andrew Engeldinger, 36, armed with a 9mm semiautomatic Glock pistol, shot and killed six people and wounded two at Accent Signage Systems in Minneapolis before taking his own life. At the end of the workday, Engeldinger was informed by two of the company's managers that he was losing his job. Engeldinger replied, "Oh really," and pulled his holstered pistol and shot the two men, fatally wounding one and injuring the other. He then proceeded through the workplace, fatally shooting three additional co-workers, some of whom were trying to help other victims, as well as a United Parcel Service delivery man. He then shot another co-worker, who later died in hospital from his wounds. Engeldinger was later found by authorities in the basement of the business, dead from a self-inflicted gunshot wound from the Glock pistol. Witnesses described Engeldinger as calm during the mass shooting, stating that he didn't "appear to be moving fast but walking and moving in a normal manner." Engeldinger had reportedly struggled with mental illness for years. He had purchased his handgun legally in October 2011 from KGS Guns and Ammo in Minneapolis for "around \$620."

Source: "Sixth victim in shooting rampage dies," *MPRnews*, October 11, 2012; "Andrew Engeldinger, Minnesota Gunman, Said 'Oh Really' Before He Started Shooting," *Associated Press*, October 6, 2012; "Minneapolis office shooting suspect: Who was Andrew Engeldinger?," *www.myfoxtwincities.com*, September 28, 2012

## Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** Between January 1, 2012 and December 31, 2012, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety reported that among the reported crimes committed by individuals with permits was one “Murder/Manslaughter.”

Source: “2012 Permit to Carry Report,” State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, March 1, 2013.

## Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Brock McCarthy

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** June 30, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On June 30, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Brock McCarthy, 33, was found by his wife in their home dead of a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Brock had recently pleaded guilty to sexually assaulting a pre-teen girl multiple times in 2005. McCarthy had admitted to having at least half a dozen sexual encounters with the girl and told police that he had been sexually abused as a child and could not protect his victim from himself. On June 23, 2010, McCarthy pleaded guilty to first-degree criminal sexual conduct. As part of a plea agreement, a charge of second-degree criminal sexual conduct was to be dismissed. Brock was to be sentenced on August 18, 2010. According to the criminal complaint, police took extra precautions in finding and detaining McCarthy because he was known to have one or more handguns and a permit to carry.

Source: "Duluth sexual assault suspect commits suicide," *ParkRapidsEnterprise.com*, July 2, 2010.

## Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michelle Rae Wilson

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 13, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 13, 2008, Michelle Rae Wilson shot and killed Carl Jackson during an argument over their past relationship. That evening Jackson called 911 from Wilson's home and told the operator that his ex-girlfriend was "beating him upside his head" and that he was trying not to hit her and trying to get out of the house. The sound of a woman yelling in the background could be heard over the phone. Then gunshots were heard and the line went dead. Wilson had fired six shots from a Glock pistol, three of them hitting Jackson in the forehead, shoulder, and chest. The handgun had been given to Wilson by her nephew, a police officer, for self-protection. Wilson, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with second degree murder. In court, Wilson claimed that Jackson had assaulted her and that she had fired her handgun in self-defense. Wilson was convicted in December 2009.

Source: "Wilson is found guilty of killing ex-boyfriend," *StarTribune.com*, December 17, 2009; "St. Paul killer testifies she was defending herself," *StarTribune.com*, December 15, 2009; "St. Paul woman on trial in ex-boyfriend's fatal shooting," *St. Paul Pioneer Press*, December 7, 2009; "The Smoking Gun: a Killing in St. Paul," *Windypundit.com*, August 6, 2009.

## Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 1, 2009, the State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, reported in its *2008 Permit to Carry Report* that among the “Reported Crimes Committed By Permit Holders” was one Murder/Manslaughter.

Source: *2008 Permit to Carry Report*, State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, March 1, 2009, <https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/bca/bca-divisions/administrative/Documents/2008PTSReport.pdf>.



## Mississippi

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Mark Caudill

### **SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT**

**Date:** February 16, 2011

**People Killed:** 2 (including permit holder)

**Circumstances:** On February 16, 2011, concealed handgun permit Mark Caudill, 33, illegally brought his 40 caliber handgun into the Elbow Room Lounge, where he was “showing it off.” At approximately 12:25 AM, Daniel Paul Copple, 43, arrived at the bar. Copple, who in the previous hour had been in an altercation at another bar and had hit a pedestrian with his truck, was returning to the nearby Gilmer Inn, where he was staying. According to witnesses, Caudill pulled his gun when Copple began acting “erratic.” Copple disarmed Caudill and then allegedly shot him multiple times with his own (Caudill’s) handgun, killing him. Another bar patron, James “Bennet” Mann, 42, was allegedly shot at least three times by Copple when he tried to intervene. Mann later died at a local hospital. Copple was charged with two counts of murder as well as one count of aggravated assault resulting from his having hit the pedestrian, who was treated and released. As Copple sat in the back of a police cruiser following his arrest, he stated “at least three times” that he had acted in self-defense.

**UPDATE:** Daniel Paul Copple was convicted of two counts of murder and sentenced to two consecutive life sentences, as well as an additional 15 years for aggravated assault for hitting a pedestrian with his truck.

Source: “Man appeals murder convictions,” *wapt.com*, March 21, 2013; “Lucerne Valley Man charged in Mississippi Double Homicide,” *WCBI*, April 8, 2011; “Case against Elbow Room murder suspect headed to grand jury,” *Commercial Dispatch*, April 7, 2011.

## Missouri

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Daron Simpson

**PENDING**

**Date:** January 24, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 24, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Daron Simpson, 34, allegedly shot and killed Andrew Clary, 36, after driving his vehicle through the garage door of Clary's home. According to court documents, after entering Clary's house through the garage, Simpson made his way to the bedroom where he allegedly shot and killed Clary and allegedly shot and wounded his ex-wife Amanda Simpson, 33, in the face. Amanda Simpson was being treated for serious facial injuries but was in stable condition and is expected to survive. Simpson turned himself in to police and was charged with second-degree murder. After the shooting, the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office filed a petition to revoke Simpson's concealed carry permit.

Source: "Sheriff files petition to revoke accused killer's concealed carry permit," *stjosephpost.com*, January 29, 2015; "One man charged with murder in Buchanan County killing," *kshb.com*, January 24, 2015.

## Missouri

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Antawan T. Ross

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** June 5, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On June 5, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Antawan T. Ross, 39, shot and killed Deshon Lernell Randolph, 37, before planting a knife near his body and claiming he was an intruder. According to trial testimony, Ross arrived at his ex-girlfriend's home to drop off their teenage son and daughter when he realized someone else was there. He saw his ex-girlfriend leave her bedroom in her underwear and said he wanted to meet the man. He went to his car and got a gun before returning to the bedroom and shooting Randolph in the head. Ross then planted a knife by Randolph's body and ordered his ex-girlfriend to take the children and leave. After waiting several minutes, he called 911 and claimed he shot an intruder. On October 23, 2014, Ross was convicted of second degree murder and armed criminal action. The jury recommended he serve 17 years for the murder and five years for the weapons conviction.

Source: "Man convicted of killing ex-girlfriend's new boyfriend in Pagedale," *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, October 27, 2014.

## Missouri

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Clinton Gallagher

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** December 2010

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** In December 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Clinton Gallagher, 35, shot and killed his six-year-old son Alex and then himself in a murder-suicide in his home. Court documents filed the prior week by Gallagher's wife revealed that she feared for her son's life as well as her own. According to new reports, in her filing she expressed concerns about a gun Gallagher owned and requested temporary custody of Alex. She wrote, 'I'm afraid he will use it on me at this time being that he is in a rage.' In 2009, Gallagher pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor domestic violence charge against his wife. As a result, he lost his concealed weapons permit. He then sued the Jackson County Sheriff's Office in 2010 to have his permit re-issued and won the case. Even though Gallagher's misdemeanor domestic violence conviction prohibited him from possessing firearms under federal law, Missouri law enforcement quoted in news articles stated that the misdemeanor conviction would not have prevented Gallagher from possessing a gun in his own home. Brandy Gaylord, who ran the child care facility that Alex Gallagher had attended for the past four years stated that "he will truly be missed by everyone...He was a joy to have. His smile would light up a room. His laughter would draw you close to that room."

Source: "Clinton Gallagher's wife feared for her life; Gallagher identified in Lone Jack killings," *Kansas City News*, December 16, 2010; "Court Documents Paint Picture in Lone Jack Killings," *KCTV5.com*, December 15, 2010; "Father, Son Deaths Ruled Murder-Suicide in Lone Jack," *www.fox4kc.com*, December 15, 2010.

## Missouri

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Akbar Rana

### **PENDING—FLED THE COUNTRY**

**Date:** September 3, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 3, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Akbar Rana, 33, allegedly shot and killed Frederick Jones. According to investigators, Jones walked into the Shell station where Rana worked and got into an argument with the staff. Jones was forced outside by one of the clerks and a struggle ensued. Rana also stepped outside and used a stun gun on Jones. Jones then tried to punch Rana and was shot as he was running away. Jones was not armed. Rana was charged with voluntary manslaughter and armed criminal action. If convicted he could face a minimum of five years in jail on the manslaughter charge.

**UPDATE:** According to news reports, Rana has fled the country.

Source: "Akbar Rana, convenience store clerk, shot Frederick Jones Jr. in the back as he ran away, prosecutors say (updated)," *www.pitch.com*, October 29, 2010; "Store Clerk Charged In Man's Shooting Death," *msnbc.com*, October 27, 2010.

## Missouri

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Johnnie Pulley

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** July 1, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** Concealed handgun permit holder Johnnie Pulley, 61, was convicted of shooting and killing 17-year-old Brandon Colenburg after Pulley mistook Colenburg for the person who had beaten him on a public transit bus in April 2009. Pulley was unarmed the day he was beaten, but had his 357 Magnum handgun the day he saw Colenburg months later on a transit bus. Convinced that Colenburg was his assailant, Pulley followed Colenburg as he transferred buses and then continued on foot. Pulley claimed that he shot Colenburg in self-defense after the teen lunged at him. However, two witnesses—a Jehovah’s Witness who was knocking on doors and a mother dropping her child off at day care—said that Colenburg did not attack Pulley and that the youth had his arms at his side when he was shot. A jury rejected Pulley’s self-defense claim and found him guilty of second-degree murder. The mother of one of Colenburg’s friends testified that he had been at her home at the time of the original assault on Pulley.

Source: “Jury rejects self-defense claim in killing,” *STLtoday.com*, May 27, 2010; “Nothing normal about this murder trial,” *STLtoday.com*, May 26, 2010; “Defendant, 61, says killing of teen was justified,” *STLtoday.com*, May 26, 2010.

## Nebraska

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Carl Heng

**PENDING**

**Date:** August 24, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 24, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Carl Heng, 25, allegedly shot and killed Robert Lane, 25, following an incident involving Lane's girlfriend. Lane's girlfriend worked with Heng, and according to prosecutors, she called him to her apartment because of an argument she was having with Lane. Words were exchanged between Heng and Lane and when Lane went to open the girlfriend's apartment door, Heng allegedly shot Lane twice. Lane later died at a hospital. Heng claims he acted in self defense. Heng was arrested and charged with second degree murder and use of a weapon to commit a felony.

Source: "SW Omaha shooting suspect denied bond, claims self defense," *scrippsmedia.com*, August 27, 2015.

## Nevada

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Moreno

**PENDING**

**Date:** October 7, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On October 7, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Moreno, 37, allegedly shot and killed Damien Reed following a dispute about reckless driving. Moreno allegedly pulled up to a home at 804 Dike Lane where Reed and a friend were working on Reed's car. Witnesses reported that Reed and Moreno argued about Moreno's reckless driving, the argument escalated, and shots were fired. Witnesses told police that both men fired weapons. Moreno claimed that he was acting in self defense and did not fire first. When police searched Moreno's 2004 Chevrolet Tahoe, they found a .40 pistol and ammunition that matched shells found at the crime scene. Moreno was charged with felony counts of murder with a deadly weapon, discharging a firearm at or into a structure and discharging a firearm out of a motor vehicle.

Source: "Man charged in connection with deadly shooting," *Las Vegas Sun*, October 18, 2011.



## Nevada

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Alex Kopystenski

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** July 20, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On July 20, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Alex Kopystenski was going through a drive-in window at a Walgreens drug store when his five-year-old picked up a 9mm handgun from the vehicle's front console and fatally shot himself in the head. Alex Kopystenski pleaded guilty to a felony charge of child abuse and neglect with substantial bodily harm.

Source: "Sentencing delayed for father who admits guilt in boy's fatal shooting," *Las Vegas Sun*, August 10, 2011.

## New York

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Arthur Mondella

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** February 24, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 24, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Arthur Mondella, 57, shot and killed himself at his workplace in Brooklyn, New York. Mondella was the owner of Dell's Maraschino Cherries, one of the largest maraschino cherry suppliers in the country. The day law enforcement officials arrived, news reports say, Mondella grew nervous and went into the bathroom. With his sister standing outside the door, he shouted "take care of my kids" before turning his gun on himself. Police found marijuana and hundreds of thousands of dollars stashed in a fake wall. News reports say it was the largest marijuana operation police had ever seen in New York City.

Sources: "Maraschino Cherry Tycoon Shoots Himself After Police Discover His Factory Is Actually a Front for Growing Pot," *People*, February 25, 2015; "Secret Marijuana Farm Beneath Brooklyn Cherry Factory Leaves Many Mysteries," *The New York Times*, February 26, 2015.

## New York

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** David Reese

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** February 3, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 3, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder David Reese, 55, shot and killed co-worker Aron Thomas, 33, at the offices of the New York City Department of Environmental Protection in Midtown Kingston. Reese had confronted Thomas that morning claiming that he had broken into his house and was stalking him. Reese stated that he hid his 45 caliber handgun behind his thigh because he didn't want Thomas, who was also sometimes armed, to know that he was carrying a weapon. Reese claimed that he punched Thomas in the face and that in the ensuing struggle, his gun unintentionally fired twice, one shot firing into the air, the other striking Thomas and killing him. During his trial, Thomas acknowledged that he knew gun safety rules and how to properly handle firearms from his time in the Navy and as part of the training required for his pistol permit. In June 2015, Reese was convicted of second degree murder.

Source: "David Reese convicted of murder in shooting death of co-worker Aron Thomas," *Daily Freeman*, June 2, 2015; "Murder suspect David Reese testifies gun went off accidentally during struggle with Aron Thomas," *Daily Freeman*, June 1, 2015.

## New York

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Shawn Bryan

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** June 4, 2012

**People Killed:** 2

**Law Enforcement Officers Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On June 4, 2012, New York City Department of Correction Officer and concealed handgun permit holder Shawn Bryan, 34, shot and killed Springfield, MA, Police Officer Kevin Ambrose, 56, and shot and critically wounded his ex-girlfriend Charlene Mitchell, 29. Bryan and Mitchell's one-year-old daughter was in the apartment at the time of the shooting but was unhurt. Mitchell had gone to court that day to take out an order of protection saying that Bryan was physically abusive towards her, describing him as mentally unstable and domineering, writing, "He is a demon." Bryan had sent Mitchell multiple text messages including one that said, "I'm going to make you wish you were not born." On the afternoon of June 4<sup>th</sup>, Mitchell called police to say Bryan was on the way to see her and that she feared for her life. Officer Ambrose arrived on the scene and found Mitchell and Bryan outside. The three of them then made their way to Mitchell's third floor apartment. As they were entering, Bryan pushed Mitchell inside the apartment and followed, shutting the door and leaving Officer Ambrose outside. Bryan fired at Ambrose through the door with his 9mm pistol then opened the door and fired at him again. Bryan then turned the gun on Mitchell and shot her in the head before running back to his car where he shot himself in the chest. Bryan and Ambrose died from their wounds while Mitchell was in critical condition following surgery.

Source: "New York correction officer kills Mass. cop, shoots ex and kills himself," *New York Daily News*, June 4, 2012.

## New York

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Boccardi

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** November 16, 2011

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On November 16, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Boccardi, 47, shot and killed Michael Purdy, 56, as Purdy returned home with Boccardi's estranged wife MaryAnn Boccardi. Boccardi, who was laying in wait at Purdy's home, fired several shots at Purdy with his Glock .40 pistol as he was exiting the Mercury Sable that belonged to Boccardi's wife. Purdy was struck once in the head and collapsed. Boccardi then jumped into the car and told his wife to drive. She tried to talk to her husband, who then shot himself in the head. The two men were described as "close friends" and each family had four children.

Source: "Friends' murder-suicide shootings stun Mahopac," *LoHud.com*, November 17, 2011.

## New York

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jiverly Wong

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** April 3, 2009

**People Killed:** 14 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On April 3, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Jiverly Wong, 41, walked into the American Civic Association in Binghamton, NY, where he had recently taken an English class, and opened fire, killing 13 former classmates before killing himself. Wong fired 98 shots in approximately one minute from his two pistols, a 9mm and a 45 caliber. Just before the shooting, Wong sent a letter to a Syracuse TV station saying that the police were spying on him, sneaking into his home, and attempting to get into car crushers with him. Wong was granted a concealed carry permit in Broome County, NY in 1997 which was still valid at the time of the shooting as permits issued there, unlike in other parts of the state of New York, do not have to be renewed.

Source: "Wong raised concerns with police in 1990s," *USA Today*, April 19, 2009; "Binghamton Killer Kept His Fury Private," *New York Times*, April 11, 2009; "Licensed to kill? Gunmen in killings had permits," *Associated Press*, April 7, 2009.

## New York

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Frank Garcia

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** February 14, 2009

**People Killed:** 4

**People Wounded:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 14, 2009, Frank Garcia allegedly opened fire with a .40 Glock pistol in the Lakeside Memorial Hospital parking lot in Brockport, NY. He had recently been fired by the hospital. He shot three people there, killing two, before killing a married couple at their home in Canandaigua. Garcia had been denied a permit to carry a pistol three times in the previous 15 years due to previous arrests for assault, harassment, and criminal possession of a weapon, before a judge granted him the ability to carry a concealed weapon in 2007. Garcia faced four charges of murder, and one charge of attempted murder. He was convicted and received a life sentence without possibility of parole for two of the murders, and is awaiting trial on two additional charges of murder and one charge of attempted murder.

Source: "Garcia evidence allowed by judge," *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle*, October 31, 2009; "After 3<sup>rd</sup> try, gun permit OK'd," *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle*, February 19, 2009; "Damelio will represent Garcia in Monroe Trial," *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle*, July 1, 2009; "Killer gets life for Valentine's Day rampage in NY," *Associated Press*, September 1, 2009

## North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Craig Stephen Hicks

**PENDING**

**Date:** February 10, 2015

**People Killed:** 3

**Circumstances:** On February 10, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Craig Stephen Hicks, 46, allegedly shot and killed Deah Shaddy Barakat, 23, Barakat's wife, Yusor Mohammad Abu-Salha, 21, and her sister Razan Mohammad Abu-Salha, 19. All three victims were found dead from gunshot wounds to the head in the Finley Forest Condominium complex where Barakat and his wife lived. Hicks also lived in the same complex. According to Hicks's wife, the shooting may have resulted over an ongoing feud over parking at the condominium complex. She said that Hicks came home Tuesday night and became upset that a car belonging to one of the victims was parked in his parking place. The incident is also being investigated as a possible hate crime because the victims were Muslim. According to an attorney for Hicks's wife, Hicks was a "champion" of "Second Amendment rights." Hicks turned himself in to authorities and was charged with three counts of first-degree murder.

Source: "Wife of alleged NC killer: He 'believed everyone was equal'," *cbsnews.com*, February 11, 2015; "Wife of triple-shooting suspect said crime not motivated by bias," *wral.com*, February 11, 2015; "Three Muslims killed in shooting near UNC; police, family argue over motive," *Washington Post*, February 11, 2015.



## North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Richard Albert Nielsen

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** February 6, 2015

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On February 6, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Richard Albert Nielsen, 62, shot and killed Russell Allen Mitchell, 38, and wounded Jessica Lynn Modolo, 29, with a Ruger .380 pistol before turning the handgun on himself. According to the District Attorney, Nielsen, Mitchell, and Modolo were in a business relationship that had turned sour. Nielsen approached Mitchell at a gas station at the Monkey Junction Walmart and called him by name. When Mitchell turned around Nielsen shot him once in the head at point blank range. Nielsen then shot Modolo in the head and abdomen as she sat in her car at the gas pump. Modolo's six-year-old son, and Mitchell's nine- and seven-year-old daughters were also in the car. Modolo, who was four months pregnant at the time of the shooting was in critical condition but her unborn child died. Nielsen purchased the pistol less than an hour before the shooting.

Source: "Legal weapon, tragic outcome," *starnewsonline.com*, February 10, 2015; "Murder-suicide stemmed from business dispute; unborn child dies," *starnewsonline.com*, February 7, 2015.

## North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Eric Sinatra Gilbert

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 4, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 4, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Eric Sinatra Gilbert, 24, shot and killed Derek A-Shaheed Brathwaite in the parking lot of the Fuzion nightclub. According to news reports, Brathwaite shot Gilbert's friend Ernest Wright. Brathwaite then aimed his 45 caliber pistol at Gilbert, who shot and killed Brathwaite with a 40 caliber Glock pistol. According to a witness, Gilbert repeatedly kicked Brathwaite in the head, stating, "You got whapped. You had it coming for shooting my little brother in the face." Wright survived the gunshot wound from the round fired by Brathwaite. In September 2012, Gilbert pleaded guilty to involuntary manslaughter as part of a plea deal and was sentenced to 16 to 20 months, serving five months with credit for time served prior to sentencing. He was also required to serve 12 months of supervised probation followed by 36 months of unsupervised probation. Gilbert was also required to speak to youth groups about the dangers of guns and alcohol and pay for Brathwaite's funeral expenses of \$7,930. Remarking on the case, and a similar one that, as a press report noted "mirrored Gilbert's case in its mix of guns, alcohol, and testosterone," Judge Wayland Sermons stated, "Something must be done by our community leaders to get these guns off the street and out of the hands of our young."

Source: "Nightclub shooter pleads to lesser charge," *The Daily Reflector*, September 18, 2012.

## North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Gale Lynn Frye

### **INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL**

**Date:** February 12, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 12, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Gale Lynn Frye, 67, called 911 and asked for help for his wife. When police arrived they found Bertha Frye, 76, in the bedroom dead from a single gunshot wound to the head from a 22 caliber rifle. Frye was arrested and charged with killing his wife. In November 2011, a Superior Court judge ruled that Frye, with an IQ of 73 and dementia, was incompetent to stand trial. The judge ordered Frye “to be remanded to appropriate treatment and care and—if found competent at a later date—to be...tried for the murder.” In a separate order, the judge directed the sheriff to seize and hold all of Frye’s firearms and revoke his concealed handgun permit. During the hearing, a forensic psychologist who spoke as an expert witness for the defense stated that Frye did not want to be found incompetent, because he was concerned about losing his right to bear arms, stating, “When talking to me, he was actually concerned with the right to keep his guns and keep his home to the exclusion of his case.”

Source: “Man Found Incompetent in Wife’s Death,” *The Pilot*, November 6, 2011; “Husband Held in Murder,” *The Pilot*, February 14, 2010.

## North Carolina

**Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Lionel Loya

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 5, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 5, 2009, friends Lionel Loya and Jonathan Clinton Rodriguez got into an argument while watching a broadcast of the Texas-Nebraska college football game. Loya was disappointed that his favorite team, the Florida Gators, had lost earlier in the day to the Alabama Crimson Tide—dropping the Gators out of contention for the BCS national championship game. A scuffle broke out between the two after the Texas Longhorns secured a spot in the BCS championship game at the Rose Bowl by beating the Nebraska Cornhuskers with a last-minute field goal. During the roughhousing, Loya produced a handgun, which discharged, killing Rodriguez. Loya had a concealed handgun permit. Both men were Marine corporals. Loya was turned over to military authorities and charged with involuntary manslaughter. Loya pleaded guilty to involuntary manslaughter and was sentenced to 13 to 16 months in prison.

Source: “Shooter gets 13 months for friend's death,” *New Bern Sun-Journal*, January 26, 2010; “Texas-Neb. game sparks shooting,” *Omaha World-Herald*, December 8, 2009.

## North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Maxwell

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** November 2, 2009

**People Killed:** 4 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On November 2, 2009, William Maxwell shot and killed his wife Kathryn and their teenage children Conner and Cameron before killing himself. Neighbors could not say what drove a local businessman and basketball coach at the religious school where his teenagers attended classes to murder his family. Friends described the Maxwells as active churchgoers and good neighbors. Earlier on the day of the shooting, friends and relatives had gathered at the family's home to "see if they could lift the normally happy dad from his funk." Maxwell obtained a concealed handgun permit in January 2008.

Source: "Friends tried to help NC man who killed family," *The Associated Press*, November 5, 2009; "Police: NC father killed wife, 2 children, self," *The Associated Press*, November 3, 2009.

## North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Littleton

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 15, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 15, 2008, William Littleton allegedly killed his neighbor, 72-year-old Luther Kaemming, shooting him three times in the chest with a rifle. Kaemming was a prosecuting witness in a court case against Littleton on charges that Littleton had obstructed drainage ditches in front of his property causing water to back up into neighbors' yards. Littleton, who was issued a concealed handgun permit in 1998, was charged with murder.

**UPDATE:** In October 2010, William Littleton was found guilty of first degree murder. According to the Chief District Attorney, the way Littleton treated Kaemming's body after the murder proved he acted with malice: "He went over there and grabbed his body, grabbed the victim's body Mr. Kaemming's body, threw it in the mud....And then said, 'Now 'eff' with me you 'S-O-B'.'" Littleton faces a life sentence without the possibility of parole.

Source: "Deadly drainage ditch trial: GUILTY," *WCTI12.com*, October, 2010; "Sheriff's Dept.: Man accused of murder had previously threatened neighbor," *The Daily News* (Jacksonville, NC), December 16, 2008; "Mistrial preceded neighbors fatal dispute," *The Daily News* (Jacksonville, NC), January 14, 2009.

## North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Bobby Ray Bordeaux Jr.

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** August 31, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 31, 2008, Bobby Ray Bordeaux Jr. shot and killed Clifton Jackson and wounded John Warlick with a .22 pistol during an altercation at the Hogs Pen Pub. Bordeaux was at the bar to celebrate the birthdays of his younger brothers. As the brothers were leaving the bar, Eddie Bordeaux exchanged words with Jackson and “took a swing” at him. Jackson then knocked Eddie Bordeaux to the ground. Bobby Ray Bordeaux Jr. then shot Jackson in the back of the head. Because of his alcohol use, Bobby Ray Bordeaux Jr. said he could only remember pieces of that day and night. He said he remembered driving his brother’s dirt bike to the bar and collecting change for a game of pool, but the next thing he remembered was being handcuffed, presented before the magistrate, and charges being read against him. Bordeaux, who had a concealed handgun permit, was found guilty in September 2009 of assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury in the shooting of Warlick. The trial on the first-degree murder charge ended with a deadlocked jury. A retrial on the murder charge in December 2009 ended with a conviction for first degree murder, and Bordeaux was sentenced to life in prison.

Source: “Jury convicts Bordeaux of first-degree murder,” Rocky Mount Telegram, December 10, 2009; “Bordeaux jury knotted; retrial Dec. 7,” *The Daily Southerner*, September 25, 2009; “Defendant doesn’t remember shooting,” *The Daily Southerner*, September 23, 2009.

## North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** John K. Gallaher III

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** July 15, 2008

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** At approximately midnight on July 15, 2008, John K. Gallaher III called 911 to report that he had shot and killed his friends Lori Fioravanti and Sean Gallagher. Although the motive for the shooting was unknown, friends speculated that heavy drinking and a dispute over a boating mishap may have led to the shootings. Gallaher, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with murder.

**UPDATE:** On October 25, 2010, Gallaher pleaded guilty to two counts of first-degree murder, and was sentenced to two consecutive terms of life in prison without the possibility of parole. Prosecutors had planned to pursue the death penalty against Gallaher, but the victims' families urged prosecutors to accept a plea agreement as they did not want to endure a trial.

Source: "Gallaher pleads guilty," *Winston-Salem Journal*, October 26, 2010; "How Does a Family Beset by Tragedy Face Yet Another?," *Winston-Salem Journal*, August 3, 2008; "Reason for shooting deaths still unclear," *Winston-Salem Journal*, July 17, 2008.



## North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jamez Mellion

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** August 21, 2007

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 21, 2007, concealed handgun permit holder Jamez Mellion, 24, shot and killed Major Paul Burton Miner III, a 12-year military veteran who had served in Iraq and Afghanistan. According to news reports, Mellion entered the home he and his wife once shared early in the morning and found Miner and Mellion's estranged wife, Adrianna Mellion (who lived in the home with her five-year-old son) in bed together. Mellion shot Miner 10 times with two handguns in the head, stomach, and pelvis, killing him. Mellion turned himself into police an hour after the shooting and was charged with first-degree murder. In May 2010 he pleaded guilty to second-degree murder and faces up to 15 years and nine months in prison.

Source: "More Concealed Guns and Some Are in the Wrong Hands," *New York Times*, December 26, 2011; "Man pleads guilty to killing romantic rival," *wral.com*, May 6, 2010, "No answers yet why Army officer from Vero Beach killed in home of woman," *tcpalm.com*, September 1, 2007.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Elizabeth Green

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** June 11, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On June 11, 2015, three-year-old Marques Green unintentionally shot himself with a pistol he found in his mother's purse. The boy's mother, concealed handgun permit holder Elizabeth Green, said in a call to 911 dispatchers that she had put her purse down after returning to her home and heard a shot moments later. On the 911 recording she was heard saying, "My son just shot himself and I'm not getting a pulse. Oh my God, oh, my God, I'm not getting a pulse...I don't think he's alive!" An investigation confirmed the boy died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound to his chest and that the mother failed to secure the handgun in her purse, where she kept it for protection. No charges were filed against Elizabeth Green.

Source: "No charges for mother whose 3-year-old killed self," *10tv.com*, June 17, 2015; "'My son just shot himself and I'm not getting a pulse!': Three-year-old boy dies firing mom's handgun into his own chest after finding it in her purse," *Daily Mail*, June 12, 2015.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Christopher Kiehl

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** September 21, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 21, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Christopher Kiehl, 25, shot and killed Kyle R. Fox, 26, following an altercation after a party. Kiehl and Fox were attending a bonfire party at the home of Fox's fiancée, Brittany Mulhollen. According to witnesses, someone encouraged Kiehl to pull his truck closer to the bonfire so people could sit on the tailgate. Kiehl's truck then got stuck in a ditch and damaged the lawn. The damage angered Fox and Mulhollen's father who confronted Kiehl as he prepared to drive away. Witnesses reported that Fox jumped into the bed of the truck, and a confrontation ensued after the truck stopped and Fox jumped out. Kiehl claimed that he was defending himself, saying, "All I wanted to do was pistol whip him in the face. I was defending myself." Kiehl admitted he should not have taken his weapon out since he had been drinking, but claimed the gun went off unintentionally during the confrontation. Fox died of a single gunshot wound to the neck. On December 23, 2014, Kiehl was found guilty of reckless homicide with a firearm.

Source: "Barberton man found guilty of homicide, but not murder," *cleveland.com*, December 23, 2014; "Emotional testimony in Edinburg murder trial," *recordpub.com*, December 17, 2014.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Maurizio Kollstedt

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** November 29, 2013

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On November 29, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Maurizio Kollstedt, 43, shot and killed his girlfriend, 30-year-old Tabitha Lynn Windham, before turning the gun on himself. According to a friend and neighbor of Kollstedt's, "He was pretty proud of the fact that he got his conceal carry permit recently, and I'm a conceal carry holder myself and I know the background checks." According to the same neighbor, Kollstedt had been "having trouble with his girlfriend."

Source: "Police ID 2 killed in Colerain Twp. murder-suicide," *fox19.com*, November 29, 2013; "Two dead in Colerain Township murder-suicide," *wcpo.com*, November 29, 2013.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Charles Kropinak

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** September 8, 2013

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On September 8, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Charles Kropinak, 36, shot and killed his estranged girlfriend Sylvia Maillis, 37, before turning the handgun on himself. According to police, Maillis was working the 10 PM to 7 AM shift at a Walmart in Salem, Ohio, when she took a break with co-workers at a nearby Taco Bell and Dunkin' Donuts before returning to the employee parking lot. Kropinak then pulled into a nearby parking space and exited his vehicle. Maillis got out of the vehicle she was in and an argument ensued. Kropinak brandished his Ruger 9mm pistol and shot Maillis multiple times before taking his own life. Maillis had obtained a protection order from Mahoning County against Kropinak in the past, but it was not clear if it was still active at the time of the shooting.

Source: "Deaths ruled murder-suicide," *Salem News*, September 9, 2013.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Mitchell

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** August 8, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 8, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Mitchell, 38, allegedly shot and killed 38-year-old Marie Cantwell at approximately 3:00 AM in the home that he shared with Cantwell and her three daughters, ages 10 to 14. Their mother's body was discovered at 11:00 AM later that morning by Cantwell's 13-year-old daughter. Mitchell, who had a concealed carry permit and was known to carry a gun, allegedly fled after the shooting and was described as "armed and dangerous." As the county sheriff told the local paper, "When you could shoot somebody and kill somebody with that person's three children in the house, I consider him armed and dangerous."

**UPDATE:** On June 13, 2014, Michael Mitchell was convicted of murder and tampering with evidence in the death of Marie Cantwell. Mitchell was sentenced to 24 years to life in prison with a mandatory 21 years without parole. During sentencing the judge noted that he was handing down the maximum sentence because Mitchell did not call 911 after the shooting, and "actively prevented help from reaching" Cantwell.

Source: "Mitchell found guilty of murder," *wto9.com*, June 14, 2014; "Murder suspect still at large," *Morning Journal News*, August 9, 2013.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Bruce Hively

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** April 4, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On April 4, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Bruce Hively, 56, allegedly shot and killed Charles T. Addis, 18, following a confrontation. According to news reports there had been an ongoing dispute between the two men. Hively reportedly drove past Addis who was with two other males at an intersection, then turned back around to where Addis was standing. Hively reportedly exited his vehicle and a confrontation ensued. Hively allegedly shot Addis four times at close range including twice when Addis was already on the ground. Hively was taken into custody at the scene and was charged with murder, aggravated murder, and tampering with evidence.

**UPDATE:** On November 7, 2013, Bruce Hively was found guilty of aggravated murder with a gun specification and tampering with evidence. He was found not guilty on a separate murder count.

Source: "UPDATE: Hively Convicted of Killing Gallia County Teen," *wsaz.com*, November 7, 2013; "UPDATE: Man Indicted in Murder of 18-Year-Old," *wsaz.com*, April 12, 2013; "Hively charged with murder, aggravated murder," *Gallipolis Daily Tribune*, April 9, 2013

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jeremy Ammons

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** June 24, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On June 24, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Jeremy Ammons, 36, unintentionally shot himself in the head while waving a gun he was showing to relatives. He died the next day. According to witnesses, Ammon had been showing off the gun he kept with his concealed carry permit. Police said Ammons had removed the gun's ammunition magazine and cleared a round from the chamber, but somehow at the time he was waving the gun there was a round in the chamber.

Source: "Accidental shooting kills Ohio man," *The Journal Gazette*, June 26, 2012.



## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** David A. Ramey

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** February 15, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 15, 2012, concealed carry permit holder David A. Ramey, 38, allegedly shot and killed his wife, Stephanie, 28, with two shots from a .38 special revolver. That morning, Ramey arrived at the trailer that he and his wife shared with his mother (he had been absent from the home for the past two days due to “troubles” the couple was having). Ramey asked where his wife was and his mother, who was watching television, told him that she was in the bedroom. According to Ramey’s mother, “I heard her say, ‘no,’ and then two shots.” Ramey’s wife was shot once in the stomach and once in the head. On his way out, Ramey took the phone cord out of the telephone and told his mother that he would kill her if she tried to get help. Ramey left in his red Ford pickup truck but was later stopped by police, who found a revolver with two spent shells on the passenger seat. According to law enforcement who interviewed Ramey, “He said that he was angry. He said that he had caught his wife cheating with someone else.” In March 2012 Ramey was indicted by a grand jury and charged with aggravated murder, murder and disrupting public service. Both murder charges had gun specifications attached.

**UPDATE:** On June 25, 2012, David Ramey pled guilty to one count of aggravated murder. He was sentenced to life in prison and will be eligible for parole after 25 years served.

Sources: “Guilty plea entered in Ramey murder case,” *mydailyregister.com*, June 26, 2012; “Update: Gallia County Man Indicted in Wife’s Murder,” *WSAZ NewsChannel 3*, March 16, 2012; “Grand jury to hear case against shooting suspect,” *Gallipolis Daily Tribune*, February 26, 2012.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Brian Scott Kolesar

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** October 17, 2011

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On October 17, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Brian Scott Kolesar, 33, shot his girlfriend, Julie Arnold, 35, and her father, Charles W. Cheadle, 75, along an Ohio highway before turning his gun on himself. The three had been riding in a maroon Honda when Kolesar shot Cheadle and then Arnold. Both Cheadle and Kolesar died, while Arnold was admitted to the hospital with two gunshot wounds to the chest. Arnold and Kolesar had been involved in what press accounts characterized as a “troubled relationship” to the point where in March 2011 Arnold obtained a protective order against Kolesar. In court documents Arnold stated, “I’m asking for this protection order because I’m afraid if he gets the opportunity to harm me he will....He has threatened the life of our child many times....He has threatened to take his own life several times....I feel he is not stable and could use a weapon at any time.” The next month, Arnold asked the court to dismiss the protective order since Kolesar had moved to a treatment facility in Florida. At the time of the shooting, Kolesar was living in the home that Arnold and Cheadle shared. The shooting occurred after Arnold reported that she’d thought Kolesar had put laundry detergent in their child’s baby bottle and that she wanted him to move out of the home. After the police were called, he agreed to move out if he could retrieve some items from a storage locker. The three were making this trip when the murder-suicide occurred.

Source: “Shooter had history of violence,” *Newark Advocate*, October 20, 2011; “Licking County shooting victim had sought protection,” *LancasterEagleGazete.com*, October 19, 2011.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Mark Langlois

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 27, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 27, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Mark Langlois, 51, a mechanic at Forklifts of Toledo, Inc., shot and killed James Schueler, Jr., 65, the company's vice president and general manager. Schueler was found behind his desk with a single gunshot wound to the head. At trial, ballistics experts testified that the shell casing found at the crime scene matched Langlois' 9mm Glock pistol. Langlois told detectives that he left the office the morning of the shooting and went directly to a job site, but a GPS unit in the van that he was driving showed that he went to his home first before proceeding to the job site and surveillance video showed that he left the office about 15 minutes later than he claimed in his interview with police. News reports stated that Langlois' computer contained a "voluminous" amount of searches on gun websites, including multiple searches for silencers and suppressors. Multiple handguns, ammunition, and gun parts—including spare gun barrels, scopes, and silencers—were taken from Langlois' home. On November 18, 2011, Langlois was convicted of aggravated murder and murder, both with gun specifications. Later that month he was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Source: "Life term ordered for workplace murder," *Toledo Blade*, November 24, 2011; "Langlois found guilty in boss' fatal shooting," *Toledo Blade*, November 19, 2011; "Jury views murder suspect Mark Langlois' interview," *Toledo Blade*, November 17, 2011.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Shawn Kortz

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** September 19, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 19, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Shawn Kortz, 40, strangled friend and neighbor Michael Hollon, 48, after a night of drinking in Kortz's home. Kortz, a trucker, had been up for 30 hours and had just returned home from an out-of-state trip. During his January 2012 trial, Kortz's attorney told the jury that his client did not remember fighting with Hollon and that the first thing he did remember was staring at himself in the mirror and wondering why he was covered in blood. He then called his wife, who told him to take a shower and see where he was bleeding from. Soon after Kortz found Hollon dead in his den in a pool of blood, with blood splattered on the room's walls and ceiling. Kortz then fled, taking his handgun with him. According to news reports, "Kortz took his gun because 'he had a permit to carry it legally' and generally took it with him...." He fled to Kentucky in his Dodge Durango with the loaded gun on the truck's passenger seat. He was eventually apprehended and charged with murder, tampering with evidence, and carrying a firearm while a fugitive from justice.

**UPDATE:** On January 27, 2012, Shawn Kortz was found guilty of murder in the death of Michael Hollon.

Source: "Man convicted for strangling neighbor," *wdtn.com*, January 27, 2012; "Man accused of murder claims he can't remember events," *Dayton Daily News*, January 25, 2012.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Randy Shrodes

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** September 2, 2010

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On September 2, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Randy Shrodes used a shotgun to kill his wife Amy, before using the gun to take his own life. According to court records, Shrodes had two pending criminal cases against him. The court date of one—failure to control a vehicle and operating a vehicle under the influence—was scheduled for the day of the murder-suicide. In the second case Shrodes was charged with using a weapon while intoxicated and improperly handling a firearm in a motor vehicle. According to the Ohio State Highway Patrol, Shrodes, carrying a passenger, crashed his motorcycle into a median around 10:30 PM on August 22. Because he refused to taken an sobriety test, Shrodes was cited for operating a vehicle while under the influence. Shrodes was also in possession of a 38 caliber handgun which resulted in the weapons charge. Shrodes surrendered the handgun to the Highway Patrol on the night of the crash, but had the shotgun and other firearms at home. Shrodes was a former city employee, but was recently unemployed. His father was ex-police chief and former Mayor Lloyd “Bud” Shrodes, who had recently passed away. News reports stated that Shrodes’ son Jeremy “said his father had been going through a rough time but nobody saw this coming.” Police said that they had never responded to a domestic violence call at the couple’s home.

Source: “Police: Man Who Killed Wife, Self Had Criminal Charges Pending,” *wto9.com*, September 3, 2010.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Matthew Warmus

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** April 9, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On April 9, 2010, Matthew Warmus shot and killed parking lot attendant David Williams, 27, after an argument over a parking space. Both men had concealed handgun permits. Warmus, in downtown Cleveland to attend a Cavaliers NBA basketball game, reportedly argued with Williams over a parking space in the lot Williams oversaw. Police say the fight eventually turned physical. Witnesses told police that Williams tried to give Warmus his money back, but that Warmus walked back to his car, retrieved his gun from the vehicle, and then shot Williams three times: twice in the stomach and then a third shot at close range to the back of the head. While Warmus' attorney argued self-defense for his client, claiming that Williams had pulled his handgun first, no witnesses saw Williams pull his gun. Warmus was charged with aggravated murder.

**UPDATE:** On October 28, 2010, Warmus was found guilty of murder and was sentenced to 15 years to life in prison for the murder and an additional three years for using a gun in committing the crime. At sentencing, the judge told Warmus, "If I am contacted 18 years from now for your first parole hearing, I will tell the board that you lacked the courage and honesty to even apologize to the family."

Source: "Jury finds Matthew Warmus guilty of murder in slaying in parking lot," *Cleveland.com*, October 28, 2010; "Parking Lot Shooting Suspect Claims Self-Defense," *www.fox8.com*, April 14, 2010; "Man held on \$2M bond after fatal parking lot shooting," *www.newsnet5.com*, April 13, 2010.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Shamon McDavis

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** March 4, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 4, 2010, 26-year-old Kelli Walton was fatally shot—allegedly by her on-again, off-again boyfriend, 28-year-old Shamon McDavis—while she held their three-week-old daughter in her arms. The baby, Kloe, was in critical condition after a bullet grazed her head, resulting in a skull fracture. Walton’s three other children—ages nine, six, and three—were home at the time of the shooting but did not witness it. The shooting occurred during an argument between Walton and McDavis over money and other things she wanted for her children. Walton’s mother alerted 911 after one of her granddaughters woke her up and told her she had heard two gunshots. Several hysterical people, some sounding like children, wailed in the background as Walton’s mother called 911. “I think my daughter is dead....Oh no, please Lord. Please, Jesus. Come and get my baby,” Walton told the dispatcher. One neighbor stated after the shooting, “It is spooky to know somebody would kill a mother with a baby in her hands.” McDavis had a concealed handgun permit, but, “Why he’s carrying a gun, I don’t know,” said Homicide Sgt. Bob Liston. McDavis was charged with murder in the death of Walton and felonious assault in the child’s injury.

**UPDATE:** In January 2011, McDavis pleaded guilty to killing Kelli Watson, and faces a sentence of life in prison without parole.

Source: “Arrest made in mother’s shooting death;” [cincinnati.com](http://cincinnati.com), March 4, 2010.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Matthew R. Culbertson

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** February 20, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** Jerri L. Vernon, 22, died on February 20, 2010, after being unintentionally shot in the stomach by concealed handgun permit holder Matthew R. Culbertson, 26. The two had been drinking with friends during the day at a residence in New Marshfield. Culbertson went outside to load his 40 caliber handgun (which he had purchased less than a month earlier), fired a few rounds, and then came back into the house. When Vernon asked whether the handgun was empty, Culbertson replied, "Let's see." Culbertson pointed the gun at Vernon, pulled the trigger, and shot her. Witnesses said the two had not argued prior to the shooting. Sheriff Patrick Kelly stated, "I believe it was just carelessness with a firearm and alcohol. They do not mix." Culbertson, who had received his concealed handgun permit the prior September, was charged with involuntary manslaughter, a third degree felony.

**UPDATE:** On November 10, 2010, Culbertson pleaded guilty to reckless homicide and using a weapon while intoxicated, agreeing to spend five years and six months in prison. Culbertson must serve all five years and six months of the sentence and will be on probation for three years after his release, according to the agreement.

Source: "Local man takes plea, sentenced," *The Post*, November 12, 2010; "Alcohol a factor in Athens County shooting death;" *The Columbus Dispatch.com*, February 22, 2010; "Shooting claims life of New Straitsville woman," *The Athens Messenger*, February 21, 2010.



## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** David Nesbitt

**PENDING**

**Date:** July 18, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On July 18, 2009, five-year-old Zacharia Nesbitt unintentionally shot himself with his father's 9mm Glock pistol which had been stored in a closet, loaded with a round in the chamber. Zacharia died after the gun discharged and fired a bullet into his right lung. David Nesbitt had a concealed handgun permit for the gun. He was charged with negligent homicide.

Source: "Dad charged in son's accidental death," *The Cincinnati Enquirer*, August 1, 2009.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Emmitt Weaver

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** April 7, 2009

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On April 7, 2009, 66-year-old Emmitt Weaver shot and killed his wife Betty, also 66, with a small caliber handgun and then turned the gun on himself. Deputies found both bodies in the living room of their home. Betty Weaver was lying face down with two gunshot wounds, and Emmitt Weaver was found in his recliner with a self-inflicted gunshot wound. The couple had reportedly been arguing, and Emmitt Weaver suffered from an unspecified medical condition. Emmitt Weaver was a hunter, kept several rifles in his home, and had a concealed handgun permit.

Source: "Police investigating murder-suicide," *The News-Messenger*, April 9, 2009.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Anthony Rodecker

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** October 3, 2008

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On October 3, 2008, police discovered the bodies of Anthony Rodecker and his ex-girlfriend Brenda Keeler. Both had been shot and a gun was found nearby in what police suspected was a murder-suicide. Rodecker had been banned from the café where Keeler bartended. Her relatives had urged her not to give in to his requests to see her when he threatened to kill himself if she refused. Rodecker had a concealed handgun permit that he obtained in Union County, Ohio.

Source: "2 shot dead on Far West Side; Authorities suspect murder-suicide in deaths of woman, former boyfriend," *Columbus Dispatch*, October 4, 2008.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ashford Thompson

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** July 13, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Law Enforcement Officers Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On July 13, 2008, Ashford Thompson shot a police officer four times in the head after he was pulled over for playing loud music. Thompson used a Kel-Tec P11 “pocket pistol” in the shooting. Thompson, who had a concealed handgun permit issued by Cuyahoga County and had received a certificate for completing a concealed-carry class, pled guilty to aggravated murder.

**UPDATE:** Thompson’s guilty plea was later tossed out by the Ohio Supreme Court because of a technicality. Thompson was then tried by a jury and entered a plea of not guilty. In June 2010 Thompson was found guilty of aggravated murder and escape, among other charges. He was sentenced to death in June 2010.

Source: “Cop Killer Ashford Thompson Sentenced to Death,” *FOX8.com*, June 23, 2010; “Ashford Thompson found guilty on all counts,” *Twinsburgbulletin.com*, June 3, 2010; “Accused killer of Twinsburg cop goes on trial,” *www.wtam.com*, May 17, 2010; “Man indicted in killing of Twinsburg officer,” *Plain Dealer*, July 22, 2008; “Ashford Thompon’s sentencing hearing set for Oct. 15 in police officer’s murder,” *Plain Dealer*, June 25, 2009; “Thompson Pleads Guilty In Miktarian Death,” *AkronNewsNow.com*, April 13, 2009.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Marc Kidby

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** April 1, 2008

**People Killed:** 1 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On April 1, 2008, Marc Kidby died of self-inflicted gunshot wounds to his chest and head from a 38 caliber handgun—his third attempt at suicide. His concealed handgun permit was still active despite being the subject of a protection order obtained by his wife. The local sheriff's office had failed to suspend his concealed carry permit as required by law.

Source: "Man accused of violence still had gun permit," *The Columbus Dispatch*, April 3, 2008.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Geraldine Beasley

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** August 6, 2007

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 6, 2007, Geraldine Beasley shot Donald Francis, who was believed by police to be homeless. Beasley, who was panhandling on the same block as Francis, was angry because he was invading her “turf.” Beasley had a permit to carry a concealed weapon despite paying a fine for unlawfully transporting a firearm in 2003. In February 2008 Beasley pled guilty to voluntary manslaughter and was sentenced to nine years in prison.

Source: “Guilty plea entered in shooting death,” *The Cincinnati Enquirer*, February 28, 2008; “Woman accused of shooting panhandler had weapon permit,” *The Chronicle-Telegram*, August 11, 2007; “Woman Pleads Guilty in Spare-Change Shooting,” *wlwt.com*, February 28, 2008; “9-year term for woman who killed homeless man,” *The Cincinnati Enquirer*, April 5, 2008.

## Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Terrance Hough Jr.

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** July 4, 2007

**People Killed:** 3

**People Wounded:** 2

**Circumstances:** On July 4, 2007, firefighter Terrance Hough Jr. used a 40 caliber pistol to shoot and kill neighbor Jacob Feichtner as well as Bruce Anderson and Katherine Rosby as a result of a dispute over fireworks the three were setting off. Hough also shot and injured Donny Walsh and Katherine Nicholas. Police seized 12 firearms from Hough's home after his arrest. Hough's fellow firefighters described him as a "ticking time bomb that finally exploded," and one noted, "I hope I'm off the day Hough snaps." Hough, who had received his concealed handgun permit in 2004, was convicted of three counts of aggravated murder and two counts of attempted murder and was sentenced to life in prison with no parole.

Source: "Judge denies bail for man charged in July Fourth slayings," *Associated Press*, July 9, 2007; "Hough Guilty, Could Get Death Penalty," *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, May 16, 2008; "Firefighter gets life sentence in killings over fireworks," *Associated Press*, May 22, 2008; "Hough known for bursts of anger," *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, July 7, 2007; "Firefighter in fatal shootings may face death penalty," *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, August 8, 2007.

## Oklahoma

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Gary Carl Buoy

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 7, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 7, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Gary Carl Buoy, 52, shot and killed his wife, Diana Faye Buoy, 51. The shooting occurred in the couple's apartment. Buoy told police that he had accidentally shot his wife in the head from several feet away while holding a .357 Charter Arms revolver and playing with the gun's hammer. Buoy was later arrested in June when the autopsy on his wife revealed that the gun had been fired two to four inches from her head. When confronted by police, Buoy replied that he and his wife must have been much closer to each other than he originally thought. Press accounts detailed how in their closing argument, the prosecution team noted that Buoy's holding the revolver to his wife's head "was in total disregard for basic firearm safety—something in which Buoy had been trained as he held a concealed carry permit—and was in total disregard for human life." On February 9, 2012, Gary Carl Buoy was convicted of second degree murder. The jury recommended that he serve 15 years in the Department of Corrections.

Source: "Final arguments heard in murder trial for B'ville man accused of shooting wife," *www.kjrh.com*, February 9, 2012.



## Oklahoma

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jerome Ersland

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** May 19, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On May 19, 2009, Jerome Ersland shot and killed Antwun Parker, a 16-year-old who attempted to rob the Reliable Discount Pharmacy where Ersland worked as a pharmacist. Parker and another man entered the pharmacy as it was about to close at approximately 6:00 PM and pulled a gun, demanding cash and drugs. Ersland pulled his own gun and shot Parker in the head. The other robber fled the store and Ersland gave chase. Ersland then returned to the store, walked past Parker who was on the floor, retrieved another gun, and shot Parker five more times in the stomach. A coroner's report indicated that the shot to the head would not have been fatal, and ruled that the cause of death was the five shots to the stomach. Ersland possessed a concealed handgun permit despite being accused by his ex-wife of displaying "paranoid behavior" and abusing drugs. He was also alleged to have been under the care of a mental health professional in the past. Ersland was reported to have owned more than 100 weapons. The district attorney in Oklahoma concluded that Ersland should be charged with first degree murder because Parker at that point was unarmed, unconscious, and lying on his back, posing no threat to Ersland when he fired the five shots into Parker's stomach.

**UPDATE:** On May 26, 2011, Jerome Ersland was found guilty of first-degree murder in the shooting of Antwun Parker. The jury deliberated for less than four hours before finding Ersland guilty. Ersland faces a sentence of up to life in prison.

Source: "Self-Defense case: Pharmacist guilty," *The Wall Street Journal*, May 27, 2011; "Pharmacy Robberies," *U.S. Pharmacist*, July 20, 2009; "Shooting raises question on concealed carry permits," *The Oklahoman*, June 10, 2009.

## Oklahoma

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kenneth Gumm

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** June 10, 2007

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On June 10, 2007, Kenneth Gumm shot and killed Dale Turney in a road-rage incident. Gumm claimed that Turney tailgated him and followed him into a parking lot, blocking him in. Gumm had a permit to carry a concealed weapon as well as being CLEET (Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training) trained and a certified armed security guard. On May 29, 2008, Gumm pled guilty to first-degree manslaughter and was given a five-year suspended sentence.

Source: "Causes of road rage are many," *Tulsa World*, May 21, 2008; "Former security guard pleads guilty to manslaughter," *Tulsa World*, May 29, 2008; "Ex-security guard gets suspended sentence for fatal shooting," *Tulsa World*, July 15, 2008.

## Oregon

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Zachary Brimhall

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** August 18-19, 2014

**People Killed:** 3 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** Concealed handgun permit holder Zachary Brimhall, 32, shot and killed his father, Ray Brimhall, on the evening of August 18, 2014, before going on a shooting rampage and killing a stranger who was camping on the beach, and then killing himself. Brimhall's mother said he was "a bit of a loner" who "didn't have many friends, if any," according to the district attorney. Brimhall and his father were both gun collectors and he had been target shooting with his parents earlier that day. After his parents left, Brimhall called his father to say his car had broken down, though this was later proven to be a ruse. When his father arrived, authorities say Brimhall used handguns to shoot him in the head and the chest. Brimhall then drove to a beach campground. Early in the morning of August 19, he opened fire on parked vehicles with a Romanian AK-SAR-1 assault rifle, killing David Jesse Hortman, 43, as he slept in his car. Brimhall then shot himself with a .44 Magnum revolver. Inside his vehicle, police found 10 firearms as well as small explosives. Brimhall also left notes that said: "The only thing that is relevant, however, is that I'm mentally ill, and have been my entire life." He added: "I reached a point where it was either kill myself, or kill a bunch of other people first, and then kill myself. I chose the latter...See you in hell."

Source: "Notes were found in shooter's vehicle," *TheWorldLink.com*, August 22, 2014; "Oregon gunman planned to kill 'bunch' of people," *Associated Press*, August 22, 2014.

## Oregon

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jeffrey Griffin Boyce

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** June 21, 2013

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On June 21, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Jeffrey Griffin Boyce, 30, hanged himself while being held in the Marin County Jail in California. Boyce, who was from Oregon, had been arrested in California after, as his father described it, “he went running around Northern California with a bunch of guns and pointing them at people,” including a carjacking. When apprehended by police, Boyce had a pistol and an AK-47 assault rifle with him, six 30-round ammunition magazines, hundreds of rounds of ammunition, and a tactical vest. Boyce was also the prime suspect in the April 28, 2013, murder of Kirsten Englund, 57, a retired accountant from Castro Valley, California, who was in Oregon visiting family when she encountered Boyce. According to his mother, Boyce was reportedly on his way to the Russian consulate in San Francisco to seek asylum when he began his California crime spree.

Source: “Slaying suspect hangs himself in Marin jail cell,” *SFGate*, June 24, 2013; “Carjacking, murder suspect on suicide watch,” *www.marinscope.com*, May 8, 2013; “SF-area police arrest North Bend’s Jeffrey Boyce after crime spree,” *theworldlink.com*, April 30, 2013.

## Oregon

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Darrell Dean Laffoon

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** April 18, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On April 18, 2011, Phillip Wilson, 31, was reportedly involved in an argument with his brother Preston, 36, when concealed handgun permit holder Darrell Dean Laffoon, 60, tried to break up the fight. During the struggle, Laffoon's gun went off, injuring Preston and killing Phillip. Laffoon was charged with manslaughter, first-degree assault, and unlawful use of a weapon.

**UPDATE:** In February 2012, Darrell Dean Laffoon was found guilty of second degree assault and unlawful use of a weapon in the shooting of Phillip Wilson, and was sentenced to five years and 10 months in prison. The jury deadlocked on the charge of second degree manslaughter. In September 2012, Laffoon pleaded guilty to the lesser crime of criminally negligent homicide and was sentenced to four years and four months in prison to run simultaneous to his previous prison term.

Source: "Beaverton man pleads guilty to criminally negligent homicide in fatal shooting of his godson," *oregonlive.com*, October 4, 2012; "Brother in accidental Beaverton shooting dies from his injuries," *koinlocal6.com*, April 20, 2011; "Man arrested in Beaverton shooting that injured 2 brothers," *koinlocal6.com*, April 19, 2011.

## Oregon

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kevin Moffett

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 1, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 1, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Kevin Moffett, 33, shot and killed Ruben Mata, 32, following an altercation outside a bar early in the morning of New Year's Day. Police said that Moffett was among a group of people asked to leave Club 915 after a fight occurred inside the bar. A short time later, Moffett and Mata, a bouncer at the club, got into an altercation. According to police, Moffett shot and wounded Mata, who was transported to the hospital where he died from his injury. An officer who witnessed the shooting fired a single round at Moffett as he fled the scene. Moffett was later arrested nearby. On January 16, 2013, Moffett was sentenced to 11 years in prison, after he plead no contest to one count of first degree manslaughter for the shooting of Mata.

Source: "Kevin Moffett sentenced to 11 years in prison for shooting, killing, bar employee," *koinlocal6.com*, January 17, 2013; Gunman apologizes for Portland bouncer death, gets 11 years," *kgw.com*, January 17, 2013.

## Oregon

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tyler Smith

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** June 10, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On June 10, 2010, 26-year-old concealed handgun permit holder Tyler Smith shot and killed his friend and fellow concealed handgun permit holder Tyler Baker while play-acting how he would respond to an armed robber. Police say that Smith shot Baker, 26, with a 380 caliber handgun. Smith, who told investigators that he had taken a firearms safety class and knew that guns and alcohol didn't mix, acknowledged that he and Baker had been drinking. Smith was initially charged with negligent homicide. The charges were later upgraded to second-degree manslaughter.

**UPDATE:** Smith pleaded guilty to criminally negligent homicide for killing Tyler Baker. On December 14, 2010, Smith was sentenced to 120 days in jail and eight months of home arrest, plus five years of probation and 250 hours of community service. In formulating this sentence, rather than the three years in prison that the prosecutor had requested, the judge said that he had to take into account all the circumstances leading up to the shooting—including that each man had a blood-alcohol content of .20 percent and that they were playing with guns. Authorities said the men were practicing drawing their guns as part of a discussion of what they would do if they were held up in a robbery. Baker's mother told Smith if there was one thing he could do for her, it would be to honor her son by spreading awareness about the dangers of alcohol and guns. Baker's wife of less than a year said that she did not forgive Smith and didn't understand how Smith shot her husband after taking the firearms safety class required to obtain his concealed weapons permit.

Source: "Gresham man who shot Portland acquaintance while drinking gets jail time, home arrest," *OregonLive.com*, December 14, 2010; "Gresham man faces manslaughter in shooting death," *StatesmanJournal.com*, June 16, 2010; "Police say Gresham man was play-acting with a loaded gun, showing how he'd stop a robber when he shot his friend," *OregonLive.com*, June 15, 2010.

## Oregon

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Joel Kenneth Jensen

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** August 7, 2007

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 7, 2007, Joel Kenneth Jensen, 29, shot and killed Debbie Davis, 58, following an argument at her home. Jensen and Davis had been having an affair which she reportedly broke off several weeks before the shooting. On the day of the shooting, Jensen went to Davis' home and beat her husband Tim Hardin on the head with a pistol before shooting Davis in the head. Jensen then shot himself in the head but recovered from his injury. Jensen routinely carried a handgun in a fanny pack and had a concealed handgun permit. Jensen's attorney argued that he was suffering from extreme emotional disturbance as a result of the affair, but Jensen was convicted of murder, assault, and burglary in February 2009.

Source: "Albany man arrested for love-triangle murder," *kgw.com*, August 27, 2007; "Murder defendant testifies at trial," *Albany Democrat-Herald*, February 13, 2009; "Jury finds Albany man guilty of murder," *Associated Press, kval.com*, February 18, 2009.



## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Patricia Lynn Katchur

**PENDING**

**Date:** June 12, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On May 13, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Patricia Lynn Katchur, 55, allegedly shot and killed her husband, Christopher Katchur, 52, in the couple's house, just two and a half hours after he had obtained a Protection-From-Abuse order. According to news reports, Patricia Lynn Katchur went to their shared home with her sister and two guns. Her husband was not home and because he had changed the locks, she pulled out a first-floor window air conditioner and crawled inside. She then fell asleep having taken a sleeping pill. She woke up two hours later when her husband returned home. The two then got into an argument, and when Katchur told his wife that he was going to call the police she went upstairs to retrieve one of her guns, a .38 revolver. She came back downstairs and allegedly fatally shot her husband on the front porch. In filing the protective order, Christopher Katchur had noted that his wife had a concealed carry permit and that she possessed two guns, stating, "I am in fear that if I stay while she is in a comotose [sic] state who knows what she is capable of doing to me or herself." After the shooting, the judge who had granted the protection order stated that it was a "red flag" when the subject of such a measure had a firearm.

Source: "McKeesport woman charged with killing husband hours after he gets restraining order," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, May 14, 2015.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Steven Outlaw

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** March 8, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 8, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Steven Outlaw, 53, shot his neighbor Mary Pitts-Devine, 46. Outlaw confronted Pitts-Devine in the stairwell of their apartment building in West Philadelphia. During the argument, Outlaw pulled out a gun and shot Pitts-Devine eight times in the torso at point-blank range. He then went to his apartment and fatally shot himself in the head. Outlaw had no criminal record according to news reports, but had previously falsely accused Pitts-Devine of flooding his apartment and wiretapping his phone. Pitts-Devine was sent to the hospital in critical condition.

Source: "Police sources: Feud with neighbor ends in shooting, suicide," *Philadelphia Daily News*, March 13, 2015.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Herbert Hart

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** October 11, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On October 14, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Herbert Hart, 26, shot and killed his fiancée's ex-boyfriend Robert Wilson, 35, when Wilson attempted to visit his daughter at Hart's home. According to prosecutors in the case, when Wilson showed up at Hart's home, Hart was "filled with anger toward Mr. Wilson." According to witnesses, Wilson raised his arms with his hands open, backed away from his daughter's mother, and said he meant no disrespect by coming to the house. Hart responded that Wilson disrespected them by being on his property and shot Wilson once in the upper chest. After the shooting, Hart claimed that Wilson threatened him and that he was acting in self defense. On June 26, 2015, Hart was found guilty of third degree murder and faces a maximum of 40 years in prison.

Source: "Homewood man found guilty of third-degree murder in shooting at his home," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, June 26, 2015; "Testimony begins in trial of man accused in fatal shooting in Homewood," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, June 23, 2015.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tyrell Styles

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** July 26, 2014

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On July 26, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Tyrell Styles, 26, shot and killed his five-year-old son Cion Styles, and wounded the boy's mother, Sheyma Washington, before shooting himself in the head. According to police, Tyrell Styles shot Cion in the head and Washington in the face and buttocks outside an apartment building before fleeing in a white Pontiac Grand Prix. A few minutes later, police observed his car running red lights and crashing into a pickup truck before continuing with police in pursuit. The car turned onto a dead end street and as officers approached the stopped vehicle Styles shot himself in the head.

Source: "Police: Dad fatally shoots 5-year-old son; turns gun on boy's mother, self," *philly.com*, July 29, 2014.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kenneth Farnan

**PENDING**

**Date:** September 8, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 8, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Kenneth Farnan, 50, allegedly shot and killed his friend, 56-year-old Shawn Evans in Condryn's Tavern in Pittsburgh's Bloomfield neighborhood. Farnan, a Pittsburgh police officer on disability since July 2010, reportedly shot and killed Evans after an argument in the bar. According to news reports, Farnan arrived at the bar about 9:00 PM and began drinking vodka and orange juice cocktails. About an hour later, Evans joined him and began drinking shots. About 2:00 AM, Farnan began resting his head near the bar. When Evans pushed his head down to wake him up, Farnan asked, "Why did you hit me in the head so hard?" and the two fought until the fight was broken up. Evans then left to go to the bathroom. When Evans returned from the bathroom, he confronted Farnan for having bitten him. The two began fighting again, which ended with Farnan firing five to seven shots, killing Evans. After having killed Evans, Farnan reportedly placed his gun on top of the bar and "sat back on his bar stool and just stared." Farnan surrendered to authorities the next day and was charged with homicide.

Source: "Pa. police officer charged in bar shooting death," *Associated Press*, September 10, 2013; "Pittsburgh police officer charged with homicide in Bloomfield bar shooting," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, September 9, 2013.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kylie Marie Sage

### **SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT**

**Date:** August 11, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 11, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Kylie Marie Sage, 23, was unintentionally shot and killed with her own gun by her cousin, Jeremy Hamborsky, 24. According to the victim's family, Sage was sitting in a pickup truck with a friend along with Hamborsky and his girlfriend. According to police, Sage handed the handgun to Hamborsky, telling him that it wasn't loaded. Hamborsky moved the pistol's slide and the gun went off, killing Sage. A family friend said that Sage believed in self-protection. Hamborsky was charged with involuntary manslaughter and was freed on bond.

Source: "Connellsville man jailed after accidentally shooting cousin with her new gun," *wtae.com*, August 12, 2013.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Isiah Smith

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** August 3, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 3, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Isiah Smith, 23, shot and killed Zachary Sheridan, 24, following a fight. Surveillance cameras near the scene showed Sheridan punching Smith and striking a woman before Smith pulled out a handgun and fired at Sheridan while Sheridan was running away. Smith testified that he was acting in self-defense. According to the judge in the case, a defendant must reasonably believe they are in danger for a self-defense plea to hold merit. The judge said that while Smith may have felt threatened, this wasn't reasonable since Sheridan was fleeing when the shots were fired. Before rendering his verdict the judge stated, "What is certain is that the defendant brought a pistol to a fist fight, a fist fight in which there was almost certainly a consumption of a significant amount of alcohol." Manning found Smith guilty of voluntary manslaughter which could carry a sentence of up to 20 years.

Source: "Judge delivers verdict in Forbes Avenue shooting," *The Pitt News*, April 7, 2014.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Lawrence Jeffries

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 1, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 1, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Lawrence Jeffries, 23, shot and killed Stephen Johnson, 22, and wounded Kyle Morris and Kashief Butler, both 22, after a fight at a New Year's party. The shootings occurred at approximately 3:30 AM when a fight started after one person stepped on another's shoe. Jeffries claimed that after Johnson swung at him and he saw one of his friends being punched and kicked, he fired in self defense, using a 40 caliber pistol he had purchased a week earlier as a Christmas gift for himself. On November 3, 2014, Jeffries was found guilty of third-degree murder and other related charges. He faces up to 50 years in prison.

Source: "Glenside man convicted in New Year's party slaying," *Philadelphia Inquirer*, November 4, 2014.



## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Allabaugh

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** September 9, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 9, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder William Allabaugh, 24, “described as an unemployed loner with a fascination for guns, simply flipped out and started firing his semi-automatic pistol after being asked to leave the [Bonnie’s Food and Spirits] bar because customers complained he was armed....” By the time the shooting was over, Allabaugh allegedly had shot and killed one innocent bystander and wounded another before being shot and injured by a second concealed handgun permit holder, Mark Ktytor, 35. Allabaugh had been asked to leave the bar twice after customers complained that he was armed. Having already been warned for making racial slurs, Allabaugh was approached by bar employee Bob Wallace, who, acting on a customer’s complaint, asked Allabaugh if he was armed. Allabaugh stated that he wasn’t. Soon after, another customer complained that Allabaugh was armed, stating that he saw his gun. When Wallace instructed Allabaugh to leave the bar, Allabaugh shot patron Stephen Hollman, 29, who had been sitting next to Allabaugh but had not interacted with him, in the head with a .380 pistol. After leaving the bar, Allabaugh then opened fire again, fatally hitting patron Scott Luzetsky, 39, as he was fleeing the bar to return to his home a few blocks away. Allabaugh was then shot by Ktytor multiple times. According to news reports, Allabaugh had been discharged from the U.S. Air Force and had “an obsession with guns and ammunition” with “[n]early every post and photo” on his Facebook page profile involving guns. His lone listed interest was “AK-47.” Allabaugh had no criminal history, not even a traffic ticket. Allabaugh was charged in an arraignment held at his hospital bedside with criminal homicide and attempted homicide.

**UPDATE:** On October 15, 2013, William Allabaugh pleaded guilty to third-degree murder and attempted murder. As part of the plea agreement, Allabaugh will serve 25 to 50 years in prison.

Source: “Man pleads guilty to Plymouth shootings,” *citizensvoice.com*, October 16, 2013; “Plymouth shooting suspect charged in hospital,” *citizensvoice.com*, September 13, 2012; “Police: Plymouth shooter wasn’t provoked,” *citizensvoice.com*, September 12, 2012.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kevin M. Cleeves

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** July 27, 2012

**People Killed:** 3

**Circumstances:** On July 27, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Kevin M. Cleeves, 35, allegedly shot and killed his wife, Brandi N. (Killingsworth) Cleeves, 25, her boyfriend, Vincent Luke Santucci, Jr., 28, and Rosemary Holma (Santucci's mother), 55, in the driveway of the home that Santucci shared with his mother. Cleeves had apparently gotten into an argument with the victims while meeting them to pick up his daughter. Cleeves then reportedly fled with his four-year-old daughter, Leia. He was captured seven hours later in a Youngstown, OH, suburb. A Glock handgun was found in his car. Cleeves' carry permit listed "self-defense" as his reason to carry and the permit had been renewed on February 22. Cleeves was charged with three counts of criminal homicide and additional charges.

**UPDATE:** On May 10, 2013, Kevin M. Cleeves pleaded guilty to three counts of first-degree murder and was sentenced to three consecutive life sentences without parole. He was also required to pay \$1,500 in fines and \$30,869.46 in restitution.

Source: "Triple murderer Kevin Cleeves gets life without parole," *therecordherald.com*, May 11, 2013; "Three life sentences, no chance for parole for Kevin Cleeves in Quincy Killings," *Chambersburg Public Opinion*, undated; "Man charged in Quincy triple slaying returned to Pa. From Ohio," *herald-mail.com*, August 6, 2012; "Update: Additional Charges brought against Kevin Cleeves," *fox43.com*, July 28, 2012.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Andrew Gesslein II

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** April 29, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** In the early morning of April 29, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Andrew Gesslein II, 42, shot and killed Michael M. Randolph, 23, with a handgun. Gesslein was working as a security guard at the back entrance of the North End Republican Club, a private “after hours” club in Allentown. Gesslein told police that Randolph and two friends repeatedly tried to gain access to the club, which he would not allow. At one point Randolph and his friends threatened Gesslein, and he and Randolph eventually got into a struggle. Gesslein stated that as Randolph and his friends were starting to head toward the exit, however, Randolph stopped, turned around, and reached into his waistband. Gesslein then opened fire, hitting Randolph in the back, abdomen, and right thigh, killing him. After a six-week investigation, authorities stated that Randolph had no weapon nor did he pretend to have one. Although he was working as a security guard, Gesslein was not authorized to be armed. Gesslein was charged with voluntary manslaughter and sent to prison without bail. If convicted he would face 10 to 20 years in prison.

**UPDATE:** On April 4, 2013, a jury found Andrew Gesslein II guilty of voluntary manslaughter in the death of Michael Randolph, rejecting his claim of acting in self-defense. The doctor who performed the autopsy on Randolph testified that Randolph’s bullet wounds were consistent with the prosecution’s theory that Randolph was hunched forward and running away from Gesslein when he was shot. The doctor testified that Randolph was shot in the right abdomen from the side, in the back, and in the back of his right leg. Gesslein was sentenced to five to 10 years in prison.

**UPDATE:** On November 8, 2013, a judge vacated Gesslein’s voluntary manslaughter conviction and granted him a new trial. On November 12, 2013, the Lehigh County District Attorney’s Office filed an appeal of the judge’s ruling, sending the case to Superior Court. On June 16, 2014, Gesslein had bail set at \$250,000 while he awaits the appeal of the order which would grant him a new trial.

**UPDATE:** On December 8, 2014, a state appeals court ruled that Gesslein’s voluntary manslaughter conviction should be restored, but that his five to 10 year prison sentence was illegal, and ordered the case back to Lehigh County for a new sentence.

Source: “Court restores conviction of security guard in club shooting,” *The Morning Call*, December 9, 2014; “Judge OKs bail in rapper’s death,” *The Morning Call*, June 18, 2014; “Former club bouncer still in prison, even though judge tossed conviction,” *The Morning Call*, March 17, 2014; “Guard jailed for killing rapper appeals conviction,” *The Morning Call*, June 20, 2013; “Jury convicts North End Republican Club guard of voluntary manslaughter,” *The Morning Call*, April 5, 2013; “Security guard charged with manslaughter in Allentown club killing,” *The Morning Call*, June 7, 2012.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Robert Jones

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** April 28, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On April 28, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Robert Jones, 36, allegedly shot and killed Sandra Smith, 35. Jones was allegedly showing off what he thought was an unloaded gun in his home when the gun went off striking Smith in the face and killing her. Jones had taken gun-safety classes to be certified as an armed security guard, a job he was set to begin the day after the shooting incident. Jones had a concealed handgun permit issued from the state of Florida. Jones was charged with third-degree murder, involuntary manslaughter, endangering another person, and weapons charges.

**UPDATE:** Robert Jones was found guilty of involuntary manslaughter in the death of Sandra Smith.

Source: Tweet from the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office, April 5, 2013; "Man showing off gun is charged in shooting death," *philly.com*, April 29, 2012.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Robert William Duda

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** September 15, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 15, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Robert William Duda, 44, shot and killed his son Bryan Duda, 14, as he was cleaning his handgun. According to court documents, Duda was cleaning his .380 handgun in his living room, and joking around with his son Bryan. Duda pointed his gun toward his son who was lying on the couch. Duda thought the gun was unloaded, but it discharged, striking Bryan in the side below his armpit. Bryan Duda was rushed to the hospital where he died later that day. Duda pleaded guilty to involuntary manslaughter, and in December 2012 he was sentenced to five years of probation, 100 hours of community service, and a \$500 fine.

Source: "Father sentenced to probation for accidentally shooting son," *dailyamerican.com*, December 5, 2012.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Robert Klepic

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** August 21, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 21, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Robert Klepic allegedly fatally shot and killed his wife Beverly Klepic, 61, with a 9mm Kel-Tec pistol he owned while the two were in a gun store to buy her a similar handgun. According to state police, an “immediate male relative” was handling a pistol that he owned when the weapon fired, hitting Klepic, who later died at an area hospital. Robert Klepic, who had been a well-known radio personality in the region under the name Bob Alexander, had become a probation officer after retiring from the airwaves.

Source: “Former radio personality Bob Alexander is the husband of weekend gun shop shooting victim,” *Pennlive.com*, August 24, 2011; “Woman shopping for pistol ‘like her husband’s’ is fatally shot by him at Pennsylvania gun shop,” *MailOnline*, August 23, 2011.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Melissa Harris

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** June 5, 2011

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On June 5, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Melissa Harris, 43, shot and killed her estranged partner, Lisa Goss, 46, in Goss' home with a 38 caliber handgun before taking her own life. Harris had lived with Goss up until two months prior and was moving some items out of the home where Goss lived with her two children when an argument broke out. According to news reports, Goss' 17-year-old son heard the argument and then a loud bang. When he opened his bedroom door, Harris fired a shot at him, missing. The teen locked himself in his room and called 911, then heard another shot. When police arrived they found Harris and Goss, each dead from a single bullet wound to the head.

Source: "York woman fatally shot ex-girlfriend, then killed herself," *The York Dispatch*, June 6, 2011.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Danny Keith Kirtley

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** February 10, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 10, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Danny Keith Kirtley, 48, allegedly shot and killed Trevor Casey Compton, 34, with a 38 caliber handgun. The incident occurred at Rosenbloom Welding, where both men worked. According to township police Lt. Dan Levi: “We just know the dispute was work-related and were told Kirtley started it....He came into the building, got into an argument with another co-worker, who punched him and knocked him to the ground. The other co-worker left the building when Kirtley started to reach in his pocket.” Police stated that Compton told Kirtley to stay on the floor, but that Kirtley got up and shot Compton. Kirtley had a Texas concealed handgun permit. Pennsylvania’s reciprocity agreement with Texas allowed him to legally carry the weapon. Kirtley was charged with homicide, two counts of aggravated assault, and one count of simple assault.

**UPDATE:** On September 18, 2012, Danny Keith Kirtley was convicted of voluntary manslaughter and two counts of aggravated assault in the death of Trevor Compton. Kirtley was sentenced to seven to 20 years in prison.

Source: “Texas man faces up to 20 years in prison for killing co-worker,” *observer-reporter.com*, November 28, 2012; “Work argument may have lead to fatal shooting,” *www.thealmanac.net*, February 16, 2011.



## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Marqus Hill

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** September 12, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 12, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Marqus Hill, 28, allegedly shot and killed 18-year-old Irving Santana after Santana reportedly broke into Hill's car. Seeing Santana and two others breaking into his car, Hill left a house and allegedly shot the unarmed Santana 13 times, killing him. Hill's Pennsylvania concealed handgun permit had been revoked in 2005 after he was charged with attempted murder, aggravated assault, and related offenses. The charges were eventually expunged, and Hill appealed the revocation. When his appeal was denied in 2008, Hill became irate and assaulted a police officer resulting in charges of aggravated and simple assault, resisting arrest, and disorderly conduct. Hill was found guilty on the charge of disorderly conduct. Denied a Pennsylvania concealed handgun permit, Hill applied for and received a concealed handgun permit from Florida which—despite the revocation of Hill's Pennsylvania carry permit by Philadelphia police—must be honored in Pennsylvania because of a reciprocity agreement between the two states. According to news reports, at a news conference following the shooting, Deputy Police Commissioner William Blackburn “blasted the loophole in state law that allowed Hill to legally carry a gun despite the Police Departments's best attempts to stop him.” Said Blackburn, “If we, in Philadelphia, deny someone the privilege to carry a handgun based on something in their background, they should not then be able to apply online and get a gun permit. We would like to have that right reserved for us in the Philadelphia area.” Hill was charged with murder and related offenses in the shooting of Santana.

**UPDATE:** On August 3, 2012, Marqus Hill was sentenced to eight to 20 years in prison in the death of Irving Santana. Hill was convicted of third degree murder and possession of an instrument of crime in the incident.

Source: “Philadelphia man with Florida gun permit convicted in killing,” *philly.com*, August 3, 2012 “Man charged in slaying had Fla. gun permit,” *Philadelphia Daily News*, September 16, 2010.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Yvonne Hiller

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** September 9, 2010

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On September 9, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Yvonne Hiller, 43, allegedly shot and killed co-workers Tanya Renee Wilson, 47, and LaTonya Sharon Brown, 36, following an argument at the Philadelphia Kraft Foods plant where they worked. Hiller, a 15-year Kraft employee, had fought with Brown and Wilson for at least two years, accusing the two of throwing chemicals at her and talking behind her back. Following her latest accusations, Hiller's supervisor suspended her and told her to leave the plant. Hiller then went to her car, retrieved a .357 Magnum handgun, and returned to the plant, pointing the handgun at two security guards as she demanded re-entry. Once back inside the plant, she found Brown, Wilson, and two other co-workers in a third-floor break room. She allowed one woman to leave, stating that she had no quarrel with her. She then allegedly opened fire, shooting Brown once in the head at close range and Wilson in the side. A third employee, Bryant Dalton, 39, was shot in the neck and wounded. Hiller then reportedly hunted down the supervisor who had suspended her in the hallway and fired at him, but missed. Hiller also fired at a mechanic who followed her throughout the building, shouting at co-workers to flee and reporting her movements to 911 via a cell phone. Hiller then allegedly fired at officers as they arrived on the scene. Forty minutes after the shooting began, SWAT officers stormed the building, apprehended Hiller, and freed her co-workers. Hiller was charged with two counts of murder, one count of attempted murder, aggravated assault, and other charges.

**UPDATE:** On September 10, 2012, Yvonne Hiller was convicted on two counts of first degree murder. Prosecutors agreed not to seek the death penalty in return for Hiller waiving her right to mount an insanity defense or have a jury trial. Hiller faces a life sentence for the killings. The judge in the case expressed outrage that Hiller was able to obtain a permit to carry. "Why was it so easy for Ms. Hiller to get a gun?," Judge Benjamin Lerner asked. "How in the world, under Pennsylvania law, could she have been allowed to have a permit to carry?"

Source: "Philly food plant worker found guilty of killing 2," *Associated Press*, September 10, 2012; "Police: Feuds led Pa. woman to shoot colleagues," *Associated Press*, September 11, 2010; "Brewing for years, rage turned deadly at Kraft building," *Philadelphia Daily News*, September 11, 2010.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Paul Hansen

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** June 12, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On June 12, 2010, Melissa Barnes, 28, was hosting a party when she learned that a member of the band she had hired was threatening a guest. Barnes confronted Paul Hansen, the bass player for the cover band Disorderly Conduct. Hansen then drew a 40 caliber Smith & Wesson handgun and allegedly shot Barnes once in the head. Hansen, 29, who called himself the “Interstate Madman” on his MySpace page, called police after the shooting but then fled on foot. He was apprehended by partygoers. The day before the shooting Barnes wrote on his MySpace page that he was “ready to give up on life.” Hansen, who had a concealed handgun permit, faces numerous charges including criminal homicide. After the shooting, Newberry Township Police Chief John Snyder told reporters, “I don’t know what started the argument. All I know is that he [Hansen] became physical with her female friend, which then, the victim came to her aid and for helping her friend, she paid with her life.”

**UPDATE:** On July 13, 2011, Hansen was found guilty of first degree murder in the shooting death of Melissa Barnes. At trial, the defense argued that Hansen was just trying to scare Barnes when the gun went off. Prosecutors showed that the gun could not have gone off accidentally and three witnesses testified that Hansen aimed the gun at Barnes’ head and fired. Hansen faces a mandatory term of life in prison without parole.

Source: “Band player found guilty of murdering party host,” *whptv.com*, July 13, 2011; “Musician charged in party killing,” *PennLive.com*, June 14, 2010; “York deadly shooting investigation,” *CBS 21 News*, June 14, 2010.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Yaritza Alvarado

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** January 8, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 8, 2010, eight-year-old Jose Alvarado unintentionally shot himself in the chest with a handgun he found in the family home. His mother, Yaritza Alvarado, had a concealed handgun permit.

**UPDATE:** In March 2010, Jose Alvarado's father was charged with involuntary manslaughter as a result of the shooting.

Source: "Dad charged in shooting death of Allentown boy, 8," *The Morning Call*, March 11, 2010; "8-year-old Shoots Self, Dies," *NBC Philadelphia*, January 11, 2010; "Coroner says Allentown boy's death was 'terrible accident,'" *The Morning Call*, January 10, 2010; "8-year-old Jose Alvarado Jr. fatally shot in apparent accident," *The Morning Call*, January 9, 2010.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kirk Caldwell

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 25, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 25, 2009, Kirk Caldwell, 44, allegedly shot and killed his 21-year-old son Jordan Caldwell following a confrontation in their home. Kirk Caldwell, the pastor at Philadelphia's End Times Harvest Mission for Christ, allegedly fired a single shot from his 40 caliber Smith & Wesson pistol, striking his son in the chest. According to an affidavit based on a taped statement from the elder Caldwell, two of his other sons told him Jordan had "hit a girl and stole her car" and that she was now on the front porch crying. When the elder Caldwell came downstairs he stated that he found Jordan "punching, hitting and throwing other family members around the house." When Kirk Caldwell approached his son to calm him, he was thrown to the floor. Kirk Caldwell then went upstairs to change from his pajamas into street clothes and heard someone say that his son had a knife. Kirk Caldwell then returned downstairs, got his handgun from a suit coat pocket, pointed it at Jordan, and told him to stop. Jordan continued walking toward his father and when he reached into his pocket his father pulled the trigger. Kirk Caldwell had a concealed handgun permit for his handgun but had never fired the gun prior to the shooting. Caldwell was arraigned on first and third degree murder charges, as well as simple assault, aggravated assault, and recklessly endangering another person.

**UPDATE:** In July 2010 Caldwell pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter and was sentenced to two to four years in prison minus time served.

Source: "Pastor sentenced for killing son on Christmas," *Philadelphia Daily News*, July 13, 2010; "Hearing scheduled for pastor accused of shooting his son," *Delaware County Daily Times*, December 30, 2009.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Greg Baker

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 3, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 3, 2009, Greg Baker shot and killed Thomas Daughtery and wounded his estranged wife Linda Baker. Baker was driving through the parking lot of the East Rochester Shopping Plaza in the afternoon when he spotted his wife with Daughtery outside the Brighton Hot Dog Shoppe. Witnesses reported that Baker initially shot the two victims, returned to his vehicle, and then came back to fire more shots. Police said Baker fired five shots with a .40 handgun, which he was licensed to carry. The Bakers had been separated for at least several weeks and Greg Baker was reportedly depressed over the breakup. Baker surrendered to police shortly after the shooting and was charged with homicide, aggravated assault, criminal intent, and reckless endangerment.

**UPDATE:** On February 15, 2011, a jury found Greg Baker guilty of third-degree murder, reckless endangerment, and two counts of aggravated assault. He was found not guilty of first-degree murder, voluntary manslaughter, and attempted homicide. On April 1, 2011, Baker was sentenced to serve 30 to 60 years in prison.

Source: "New Sewickley man sentenced to 30 to 60 years for East Rochester fatal shooting," *timesonline.com*, April 2, 2011; "New Sewickley man charged with homicide in East Rochester shooting," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, December 4, 2009; "One dead, suspect arrested in East Rochester shooting," *Beaver County Times*, December 3, 2009.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jonathan Reyes

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** November 21, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 21, 2009, Jonathan Reyes' handgun discharged as he was attempting to holster it, the bullet fatally injuring Blaine Salutric. Reyes, Salutric, and a third man were eating pizza in an apartment. Salutric was walking out of the kitchen with a slice of pizza as Reyes was attempting to holster his .380 pistol. The gun discharged, the bullet striking Salutric in the lower right abdomen. Salutric was taken to the hospital and pronounced dead later that night. Reyes had no criminal record and had a concealed handgun permit. He was charged with criminal homicide.

**UPDATE:** In May 2010 Reyes pleaded guilty to the misdemeanor charge of involuntary manslaughter and was sentenced to two to four years in state prison under the terms of the plea agreement. Reyes testified that he is "very against guns" but said that he began to carry one to protect himself and his family. He said that he had had a gun pulled on him 12 times, his brother had been shot at twice, and his mother had been "jumped by 30 people." Reyes told the court that he had obtained a concealed handgun permit because he was the only one in his family who could do so legally.

Source: "Uniontown man pleads guilty to friend's slaying, gets four years," *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*, May 4, 2010; Uniontown man charged with homicide in gun accident," *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*, November 23, 2009.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Shannon L. Mayo, Sr.

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** October 6, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On October 6, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Shannon L. Mayo, Sr., 56, shot and killed Donnell McIntyre, 34. During his trial, Mayo claimed that McIntyre had robbed him at gunpoint a few hours before the slaying. Mayo, standing outside his home, later saw McIntyre and pulled out his 40 caliber handgun. Mayo claimed that when McIntyre refused to take his hand out of his pocket, he was afraid that he had a gun, so he shot the unarmed McIntyre three times. During the trial the senior deputy prosecutor characterized Mayo's self-defense claim as "ludicrous." In November 2011 Mayo was found guilty of third degree murder.

Sources: "Mayo guilty of third-degree murder," *The York Daily Record*, November 4, 2011; "More testimony in murder trial of man who claims self-defense," *The York Dispatch*, November 1, 2011



## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** George Sodini

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** August 4, 2009

**People Killed:** 4 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On August 4, 2009, George Sodini, 48, opened fire at an LA Fitness Center in Collier, Pennsylvania, killing three women and wounding nine others before turning the gun on himself. Sodini entered the club shortly before 8:00 PM armed with two 9mm pistols with 30-round clips, a .45 pistol, and a .32 pistol. He was also carrying two additional 30-round clips in a gym bag. Sodini then walked into an exercise class where an aerobics class was underway and turned the lights off. He then walked further into the room and started firing, emptying one of his 9mm pistols. Drawing the second 9mm, he opened fire again, stopping with 12 rounds still in the clip. Sodini fired at least 36 rounds from his two 9mm pistols before shooting himself in the head with the .45 handgun. The entire episode lasted approximately one minute. A note recovered from Sodini's bag complained about being rejected by women and expressed his hatred toward them. Detectives found four rifles and shotguns in his house as well as a typewritten note in which Sodini said he planned to kill himself. Sodini had a concealed handgun permit and legally possessed the guns used in the shooting. In his blog, Sodini revealed that he had attempted to carry out the shooting on a prior occasion, entering the club with loaded weapons, but did not go through with the attack. In the journal he also expressed rage at family members and frustration at not being able to "connect" with women. The day before the shooting he wrote, "I took off today, Monday, and tomorrow to practice my routine and make sure it is well polished. I need to work out every detail, there is only one shot....Total effort needed. Tomorrow is the big day."

Source: "LA Fitness shooter had lethal plan," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, August 6, 2009.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Johan Pujols

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** August 1, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 1, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Johan Pujols shot and killed Yeury Colon, 25, outside the Club 570 in Hazleton, Pennsylvania. Pujols claimed he was acting in self-defense and testified at his trial that he was surrounded when he fired his 380 handgun and wounded Luis Perez-Rodriguez. He protested that he then shot Colon accidentally. Prosecutors assailed the credibility of defense witnesses who had failed to talk to police after the shootings. Prosecutors also questioned why Pujols wore a gun on his ankle if he never intended to shoot anyone as he claimed. A jury convicted Pujols of involuntary manslaughter and sentenced him to two and a half to five years.

Source: "Pujols sentenced to 2 1/2 to 5 years for manslaughter," *standardspeaker.com*, March 17, 2011; "Pujols: 'I never intended to shoot anybody.'" *citizensvoice.com*, February 15, 2011; "Pujols found guilty of manslaughter," *timesleader.com*, February 15, 2011.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Joel Atkin

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** April 25, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On April 25, 2009, Joel Atkin allegedly shot and killed Jayson Sack after Sack walked into the street to yell at Atkin to slow down as he drove his car down East 20<sup>th</sup> Street. Atkin told police that Sack was blocking the road and wouldn't move so he pulled his gun on Sack. Sack then tried to disarm Atkin at which point Atkin allegedly shot and killed him. Atkin told police that he kept one round in the .357 revolver's cylinder empty so it would not accidentally go off. As a result, he had to fire more than once in order to shoot Sack. Atkin, who had a permit to carry a concealed handgun, was charged with homicide, aggravated assault, recklessly endangering another person, and possession of instruments of crime. Atkin was convicted of third degree murder, aggravated assault, and reckless endangerment. He was acquitted on charges of possessing an instrument of crime.

Source: "Man convicted of 3<sup>rd</sup>-degree murder in Pa. shooting," *Associated Press*, January 16, 2010; "Shooter: 'He rushed me,'" *Erie Times-News*, April 28, 2009.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Richard Poplawski

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** April 4, 2009

**People Killed:** 3

**Law Enforcement Officers Killed:** 3

**Circumstances:** On April 4, 2009, white supremacist Richard Poplawski shot and killed police officers Stephen Mayhle, Paul Sciullo, and Eric Kelly while injuring another. Among the guns used in the shootout by Poplawski were an AK-47 assault rifle, a pistol, and a shotgun. He had a concealed handgun permit despite a former girlfriend having obtained a protection-from-abuse order against him. Poplawski's mother told police that he had been "stockpiling guns and ammunition...because he believed that as a result of the economic collapse, the police were no longer able to protect society." She additionally stated that "her son 'only liked police when they were not curtailing his constitutional rights, which he was determined to protect.'" Poplawski was charged with three counts of criminal homicide and one count of aggravated assault. He pled not guilty. Prosecutors are seeking the death penalty.

**UPDATE:** On June 26, 2011, Poplawski was found guilty of three counts of first-degree murder as well as 25 other crimes. He was sentenced to death.

Source: "Poplawski is sentenced to death; police clap for jury," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, June 28, 2011; "Poplawski guilty on all counts," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, June 26, 2011; "Poplawski bought guns through shop in Wilkinsburg," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, April 7, 2009; "Who is Richard Poplawski? Friends, Family Talk About Pittsburgh Suspect in Police Officers' Triple-Killing," *ThePittsburghChannel.com*, April 6, 2009; "Pittsburgh police shooting arraigned by computer," *Associated Press at philly.com*, June 1, 2009

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** George Zadolnny

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** December 16, 2008

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On December 16, 2008, George Zadolnny, 59, shot and killed Deborah Bachak, 46, at the Lockheed plant where the two worked. Zadolnny then shot and killed himself. The two had been dating but Bachak had ended the relationship several weeks earlier. Zadolnny was one of only a few allowed to have a gun in the facility. He was the employee of an outside security company.

Source: "Murder-suicide at plant," *Patriot News*, December 17, 2008; "Murder-Suicide at Lockheed Martin Plant," *wnep.com*, December 16, 2008.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Fernando Gotay

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 5, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 5, 2008, Donald Spry, 22, was shot and killed by Fernando Gotay, 25, after a botched robbery attempt that occurred while Spry and two others were reportedly buying four ounces of marijuana from Gotay, a drug dealer who had a concealed handgun permit. Spry, his half-brother Jared Goodwin, and Tyree Harris went to a home to meet Gotay and his brother-in-law, Peter Melendez, to purchase the drugs. During the drug deal, Spry went to the bathroom and reemerged pointing a .357 magnum handgun at Melendez. Gotay then pulled a 9mm handgun and Goodwin displayed a .45 caliber handgun. The two exchanged fire, resulting in Gotay being shot in the arm. As Melendez and Spry struggled for Spry's gun, Gotay pulled his brother-in-law off Spry, and then shot Spry several times. Gotay was charged with murder. He later pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter but later withdrew the plea at the urging of relatives. On December 4, 2009, the court denied a request by Gotay that the charges against him be dismissed on self-defense grounds. A jury eventually convicted Gotay of voluntary manslaughter and two drug charges. A judge sentenced him to 10 years in prison on March 8, 2010.

Source: "Gotay sentenced to at least 10 years in prison for manslaughter," *citizensvoice.com*, March 9, 2010; "Man testifies about shootout," *timesleader.com*, February 24, 2010; "Testimony in homicide trial to start," *timesleader.com*, February 23, 2010; "Pa. man on trial in shooting death during robbery," *Daily American*, February 23, 2010.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Christina Korbe

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** November 19, 2008

**Total Killed:** 1

**Law Enforcement Officers Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 19, 2008, Christina Korbe shot and killed FBI Special Agent Samuel Hicks. Federal agents, led by Agent Hicks, had entered Korbe's home to serve an arrest warrant on her husband. The gun used by Korbe in the incident was a 38 caliber Taurus Ultra-Lite revolver. In addition to being charged with killing an FBI agent, Korbe, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged in federal court with firearm offenses.

**UPDATE:** On January 18, 2011, Christina Korbe pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter and committing a crime of violence with a firearm. Korbe was sentenced to 70 months for manslaughter, 120 months for the firearm offense, and was given credit for time already served.

Source: "Pennsylvania woman gets 16 years in FBI killing case," *Reuters*, January 18, 2011; "Korbe Remorseful for Shooting Death of FBI Agent," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, December 10, 2008; Indictment of Christina Marie Korbe, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, January 8, 2009; "More charges filed against accused killer of FBI agent," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, March 19, 2009.

## Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Roderick Sims

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** September 27, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 27, 2008, concealed handgun permit holder Roderick Sims, 50, shot and killed his estranged fiancée Charity Spickler, 27, after breaking into her apartment. On August 8, 2008, Spickler obtained a temporary protection order against Sims after he allegedly pushed, yelled, and spit at her during an argument. On the same day that she obtained the protective order, Spickler and their three children—ages three, five, and 18—moved out of the apartment she shared with Sims and moved into a shelter. Spickler did not ask the court to seize Sims' .38 revolver because she felt he would be even more angry and she would be in greater danger if the authorities took his gun away. According to the District Attorney, once the protective order was issued, Sims stalked Spickler and told a friend he would kill her. On the day of the murder, Sims was fired from his job at ConAgra following an argument at work. He spent the day drinking at bars before taking a taxi to Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, where Spickler was staying at a female friend's apartment. That night she had returned home from a date with Eric Hitchcock, who was giving a half-naked Spickler a back rub on her bed. Sims prowled around outside the apartment and looked in the windows. Sims then broke through a locked door of the apartment and confronted Spickler's female friend who fled the apartment and called for help. Hitchcock, hearing the commotion, tried to prevent Sims from breaking into the bedroom. Sims, tearing the bedroom door off its hinges, broke into the room. Hitchcock fled the house and Sims shot Spickler in the back of the head as she lay crouched with her head down. Spickler died two days later. On November 2, 2012, Sims was sentenced to life in prison after being found guilty of second degree murder in the shooting of Spickler. Sims also received a concurrent seven to 30 year sentence for burglary and terroristic threats.

Source: "Lewisburg man found guilty in 2008 shooting," *Harrisburg Patriot-News*, November 4, 2012; "Defense: Union County murder defendant 'just lost it' before slaying," *The Daily Item*, October 24, 2012.



## Rhode Island

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Nicholas Gianquitti

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** May 18, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On May 18, 2008, Nicholas Gianquitti, a former Providence police officer, allegedly shot and killed his neighbor, James Pagano, a Cranston Fire Department lieutenant. The shooting occurred after Pagano confronted Gianquitti for cursing at his children during a birthday party—Gianquitti had scolded the children for throwing a tennis ball that had hit his wife’s parked car. Gianquitti testified that he pulled the trigger in self-defense after Pagano came to his door and punched him in the face. Gianquitti held a concealed handgun permit as a privilege conveyed to former law enforcement officers. His neighbor reacted to news of the shooting by remarking, “I just don’t get it. He was a great neighbor—the best neighbor I ever had.” Gianquitti was convicted of second degree murder and a firearms charge.

Source: “Nicholas Gianquitti convicted of second-degree murder,” *turnto10.com*, April 1, 2009; “Alleged shooter served briefly on Providence force,” *The Providence Journal*,” May 20, 2008.

## South Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Donovan Oswald

### **SHOT AND KILLED BY POLICE**

**Date:** September 8, 2014

**Total Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Law Enforcement Officers Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 8, 2014, police knocked on the door of concealed handgun permit holder Michael Donovan Oswald, 38, after neighbors complained about a drunken man beating on doors and cars. Using an AK-47-style assault rifle, Oswald fired through the door, killing Deputy Joseph Matuskovic, 45 and wounding Deputy Michael Ackerman, 43. Two off-duty sheriff's deputies who lived in the apartment community had called for help knowing that the on-duty law enforcement personnel would have bullet-resistant vests, which they did not. One of the off-duty deputies who lived in the apartment complex helped return fire, and Oswald was later found dead of gunshot wounds. Oswald was known as a combative man with a long arrest history who frequently got into bar fights. In 2003, Oswald had been convicted for driving under the influence and hit and run with property damage.

Sources: "Authorities: Man who shot deputies had military-style rifle, combative past," *Post and Courier*, September 11, 2014; "After deputy killed in West Ashley, 'incomprehensible' night became even more difficult to bear," *Post and Courier*, September 9, 2014.

## South Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Julian Deandre Battle

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 25, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 25, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Julian Deandre Battle, 28, shot and killed Rafael Dodd, 29, following a confrontation outside a Greenville apartment building that involved relatives of Battle, guests at a holiday party, and Dodd. According to news reports, party guests were arguing outside the building when Dodd, a fellow concealed handgun permit holder whose permit was issued by Tennessee (which has reciprocity with South Carolina) came down the apartment's staircase and outside to where the argument was occurring. One witness said that he saw Battle grab Dodd by the collar and shoot him. Battle then reportedly mocked Dodd's wound as a "graze wound" and took the witness' cell phone so that he couldn't call 911. In court Battle claimed that Dodd had actually threatened him, and, noting his jewelry, told Battle he could kill him because he was from out of town. Battle claimed that he shot Dodd because he feared being robbed and explained that he knocked the cell phone out of the witness' hand because he feared that it was a gun. Lying next to Dodd's body was a fully loaded handgun that Dodd carried. Battle claimed that Dodd was shot when Dodd pointed his gun at Battle's face. Battle then stated that he turned the gun back at Dodd but that he didn't know whose hand actually pulled the trigger. Although Battle's first trial resulted in a mistrial, the jury in the second found him guilty and sentenced him to life in prison.

Sources: "Man gets life in fatal shooting retrial," *The Greenville News*, November 18, 2011.

## South Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Matthew Scott Miller

**PENDING**

**Date:** July 29, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On July 29, 2009, Matthew Scott Miller, 30, allegedly shot and killed Ross Christopher Vigeant, 38, at 10:54 PM in the drive-through lane of a McDonalds fast food restaurant. Vigeant, a father of three, was on a two-day vacation in Myrtle Beach. According to a warrant filed in the case, the two were in the restaurant's drive-through lane when Miller began arguing with Vigeant about moving his vehicle. Vigeant pulled his vehicle up leaving space for Miller to exit, got out of his car, and then approached Miller's vehicle, where they continued to argue. Vigeant then punched Miller. Witnesses heard a "pop," and Miller drove away from the restaurant at a high rate of speed through the space Vigeant had earlier made for him. Vigeant, shot in the chest, staggered back to his vehicle, collapsed, and eventually died from his wound. Miller was arrested the next morning at his home, where police found a 9mm handgun. "My heart breaks for that family," said Miller's mother, "That poor man's family and their kids have no father and we have probably lost a son. It's very sad." Miller obtained a concealed handgun permit after being assaulted and hospitalized three years earlier. "He believed in people's rights to have guns," his mother said, "I told him, 'I wish you wouldn't carry that with you.' If he hadn't, things would be different. But if he didn't he may have been beaten up again." Said Miller's father, "For the most part he's been a great kid. All boys are boys. But this all comes back to his interest in carrying a concealed weapon." Matthew Scott Miller was charged with voluntary manslaughter and possession of a weapon during a violent crime.

Source: "Myrtle Beach man charged in shooting death at McDonalds released from jail," *myrtlebeachonline*, August 12, 2009; "Parents say prior attack may have weighed on homicide suspect," *myrtlebeachonline*, July 31, 2009.

## South Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James Forrest Mobley

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** May 10, 2007

**People Killed:** 3 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On May 10, 2007, James Forrest Mobley shot and killed two fellow workers at a Best Buy construction site before turning his handgun on himself. Mobley had overheard the two co-workers discussing him, including one who called him crazy. Mobley grabbed his handgun from his lunch pail and shot the two men 14 times before shooting himself in the head. During the incident he stopped to reload so that he could continue shooting. Mobley had been convicted of marijuana possession in 1975, had an animal complaint, and was subject to a breach of peace charge. Investigators confirmed that Mobley possessed a concealed handgun permit.

Source: "How Thursday's construction site shooting rampage unfolded," *Island Packet* (Hilton Head, SC), May 12, 2007; "Gunman killed 2 after being called 'crazy,'" *The Myrtle Beach Sun-News* (South Carolina), May 12, 2007.

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Roy Michael Ford

**PENDING**

**Date:** May 30, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On May 30, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Roy Michael Ford, 59, allegedly shot and killed Scotty Brogan following an altercation along the shoulder of Highway 63 in Claiborne County, Tennessee. According to the Claiborne Sheriff's Department, Ford fatally shot Brogan with a Charter Arms 38 caliber handgun. Brogan then attempted to flee from Ford but collapsed face down in a ditch near the rear of his own vehicle. On June 3, while under care at the Claiborne County Medical Center, Ford allegedly assaulted a duty nurse and two Sheriff's officers. Ford was charged with second degree murder in the shooting of Scotty Brogan and was also charged with attempted escape, aggravated assault, vandalism, and disorderly conduct as a result of the altercation at the medical center.

Source: "Ford indicted for second degree murder," *claiborneprogress.net*, September 3, 2015.

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Little

### **SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT**

**Date:** August 15, 2014

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On August 15, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Little, 21, shot and wounded his ex-girlfriend Ashley Womack, 18, and Womack's mother Rhonda, and shot and killed family friend Travis Wegener, before Ashley's older brother Joshua shot and killed Little. According to news reports, Little, a Tennessee police cadet, went to Ashley's home to speak with her two weeks after they had split up. As he walked toward his car in the driveway, Little pulled out a 45 caliber handgun and shot Rhonda Womack and Travis Wegener, before going to the back of the house and shooting Ashley. Ashley's brother Joshua then retrieved a rifle and shot and killed Little.

Source: "Tennessee police cadet shoots 3 people, killing, 1, before ex-girlfriend's brother guns him down: cops," *New York Daily News*, August 18, 2014; "Knoxville police cadet in fatal shooting had a handgun carry permit," *Knoxville News Sentinel*, August 18, 2014.

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James “Tony” McKenzie

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** June 4, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On June 4, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder James “Tony” McKenzie, 48, unintentionally shot and killed himself while he was driving his car. Police say the gun went off and shot him in the upper leg. According to news reports, McKenzie’s family said he “always kept a gun on him.”

Source: “James ‘Tony’ McKenzie,” *Cleveland Daily Banner*, June 6, 2014; “Man accidentally shoots and kills himself while driving in Meigs County,” *Chattanooga Times Free Press*, June 5, 2014.



## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ryan Frederick

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** December 15, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 15, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Ryan Frederick, 24, unintentionally shot and killed 19-year-old James Tyler Wisdom while showing off his new handgun. Frederick was in his bedroom showing his handgun to a friend when it discharged, with the bullet traveling through the floor boards and striking Wisdom who was in the kitchen of the house. Frederick told a local TV station, "It was an accident, but it shouldn't have happened and I'm going to miss him." Frederick was not charged in the shooting.

Source: "Tennessee teen fatally shot after friend's gun allegedly discharges through floor," *New York Daily News*, December 16, 2013.

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Chris Ferrell

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** November 23, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 23, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Chris Ferrell allegedly shot and killed Wayne Mills, 44, in the bar that Ferrell owned, the Pit and Barrel. Mills was a singer and leader of the outlaw-country Wayne Mills Band. According to news reports, an altercation began about 5:00 AM after Mills began smoking in a non-smoking area of the bar. The two began to argue as the other patrons left the bar. Gun shots were then heard and the police were called. Upon arrival, they found Mills with a fatal gunshot wound to the head. The two men had been friends and had returned to the bar after attending a George Jones Tribute earlier. Ferrell's bar had been scheduled to be on the Spike TV show *Bar Rescue* the next day. Ferrell was charged with second degree murder.

**UPDATE:** On March 6, 2015, Chris Ferrell was found guilty of second degree murder in the death of Wayne Mills. On April 24, 2015, Ferrell was sentenced to 20 years in prison.

Source: "Man convicted of Wayne Mills' murder sentenced to 20 years," *wkrn.com*, April 24, 2015; "Chris Ferrell found guilty in musician Wayne Mills' death," *Nashville Tennessean*, March 6, 2015; "Chris Ferrell Arrested on 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Murder in Wayne Mills Case," *www.savingcountrymusic.com*, December 6, 2013; "Singer Wayne Mills Shot Dead in Nashville Bar," *www.tasteofcountry.com*, November 25, 2013.

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Terry York

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** August 18, 2013

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On August 18, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Terry York, 48, and his son Luke, 12, were killed in a house fire that reportedly started following the accidental discharge of York's AR-15 assault rifle. According to witnesses, York was in the back room of his house showing a friend the AR-15 when it accidentally discharged. The gunfire reportedly ignited a small fire inside the house. According to deputies, York's friend left the room where the fire was burning, but York's son Luke ran in to help put out the blaze. Investigators believe the fire grew out of control within minutes, leading to an explosion. According to deputies, York's wife also suffered second degree burns to her arms after trying to enter the room. Firefighters reportedly found York and his son just steps from the exit, leading investigators to believe that they were trying to escape but were blinded by smoke. York reportedly stored "a lot" of ammunition in the room, but investigators did not say whether that is what caused the explosion. York was described by family members as "an outdoorsman who loved fishing and target shooting with his son."

Source: "Two Dead After Weapon Discharge Causes Explosion Fire," *wbbjtv.com*, August 19, 2013.

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Gregory Morris Booton

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** October 17, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On October 17, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Gregory Morris Booton, 49, allegedly shot John Franklin Tucker, 46, multiple times outside of Tucker's residence. Tucker was pronounced dead the following morning. According to police, the two men had been involved in a verbal altercation over a female friend prior to the shooting. Booton was charged with first degree murder.

**UPDATE:** On March 11, 2014, Gregory Morris Booton pled guilty to second degree murder in the death of John Franklin Tucker. On April 29, 2014, Booton was sentenced to 23 years in prison.

Source: "Booton sentenced to 23-years on murder charge," *The Herald-Chronicle*, May 3, 2014; "Murder suspect remains in Franklin County Jail," *The Herald-Chronicle*, October 22, 2012; "Winchester man charged with first degree murder," *WSMV-TV*, October 18, 2012.

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Paul Clifford Moore Jr.

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** May 21, 2012

**People Killed:** 3

**Circumstances:** On May 21, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Paul Clifford Moore Jr., 53, shot and killed his wife, Christina Moore, 39, her twin sister, Bridgette Stagnolia, 39, and his wife's lover, Amber Snellings, 24. Moore had learned two months earlier that his wife was having an affair with Snellings and reportedly bought a gun and threatened to kill Snellings. On the day of the murder, Moore shot Snellings three times in a bedroom in his apartment and then shot both his wife and Stagnolia twice: once in the forehead and once in the back of the head. Moore was charged with three counts of first degree murder. The prosecutor called the killings "the most unmerciful conduct this court has ever seen." In January 2014, Moore was convicted of three counts of second degree murder and in March 2014, Moore was sentenced to 30 years in prison.

Source: "Powell man gets 30 years in triple killing," *Knoxville News-Sentinel*, March 27, 2014; "Testimony outlines carnage in 2012 triple slaying," *Knoxville News-Sentinel*, January 23, 2014; "Defendant in slayings challenges use of testimony from victim's daughter," *Knoxville News-Sentinel*, January 21, 2014.

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Johnny Swack

### **INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL**

**Date:** September 7, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 7, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Johnny Swack, 52, allegedly shot his former wife, Reinalda Ann Dupont England, 36, in the face with a pistol as she slept, killing her. After the shooting, Swack called 911 and reported the shooting as an accident. He was later arrested for her murder. According to his sister Susan Swack, Johnny Swack had mental problems that were evident months prior to the shooting: "He thought people were poisoning him. He thought people were following him. He had been trying to turn himself in at police stations and he wasn't wanted for anything so they couldn't keep him." Susan Swack told reporters that she had called police and asked them to take her brother's two handguns, but he had a legal permit. Johnny Swack had been treated at a mental institution weeks before the killing, where he was diagnosed with bipolarism, medicated, and then released. Said Susan Swack, "They refused to talk to the family at the mental place. I said, 'he's paranoid schizophrenic. He has guns and y'all need to do something about him.' And they released him a few days later."

**UPDATE:** In July 2012, Johnny Swack was found mentally ill and committed to judicial hospitalization under involuntary commitment. According to the Deputy Clerk, Swack will be evaluated every six months to determine if he is capable of standing trial. According to the judge's ruling, the case has not been dismissed, but is on hold until Swack can be deemed mentally fit.

Source: "Johnny Swack found mentally unfit to stand trial in murder case," *Macon County Times*, July 11, 2012; "Sister of accused murderer speaks out," *WSMV-TV*, September 19, 2011; "Man Arrested for First Degree Murder," *Macon County Chronicle*, September 13, 2011.

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Shannon Scott Paul

### **SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT**

**Date:** June 20, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On June 20, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Shannon Scott Paul was shot and killed during an argument in a shopping center parking lot. According to investigators, Paul and Ryan Dickens got into an argument while driving in separate vehicles. Both men then drove into the parking lot of the Owen Place Shopping Center, got out of their vehicles, and continued their argument. Paul, who was a concealed carry permit holder, then shot Dickens. According to police, Dickens then wrestled the gun away from Paul and shot him. Paul died from his injuries. Dickens was taken to a hospital for treatment.

Source: "One killed, one injured in shopping center shooting," *wrcbtv.com*, June 20, 2011.

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Randolph Sims

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** February 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** In February 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Randolph Sims, 34, shot and killed his girlfriend, Adrienne Watson, 35, as she walked into his apartment. According to news reports, Sims was “knocking back drinks and unloading his shotgun” when it went off, hitting Watson in the stomach as she was entering Sims’ apartment. “It was an accident,” Sims stated at his trial, “I pumped it, and it went off.” At the time of the shooting, Sims’ blood alcohol level was 0.21, almost three times the legal limit for measuring intoxication. At his trial, the Assistant District Attorney stated that Sims had been schooled on gun safety and should have known better than to handle the weapon while drinking. Immediately after the shooting, Sims told police that he had thought Watson was an intruder, a story he abandoned during his trial, stating, “That’s what I said...I’d been drinking. I was scared the police were going to charge me because I’d been drinking.” Sims was convicted of reckless homicide in July 2012

Source: “Man guilty of lesser charge in girlfriend’s death,” *knoxnews.com*, July 12, 2012; “Suspect in fatal shooting: ‘It was an accident,’” *knoxnews.com*, July 10 2012.



## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Joe Hood

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** March 27, 2010

**People Killed:** 3

**Circumstances:** On March 27, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Joe Hood, 49, shot and killed his sister Susan Hood Binkley, 44, her ex-husband Dale Binkley, 42, and their 13-year-old son Jackson Binkley. All four shared a house in Cheatham County. Sheriff John Holder told reporters that police were looking at two motives for the mass shooting. The first was a possible disagreement over recycling aluminum cans: Hood had placed a sign on the family's refrigerator to collect the cans, but it had been removed. The second possible scenario was an argument over the family dog. Family members said Hood had a history of mental illness. Dale Binkley's sister Pamela told reporters, "I don't understand why someone who has a history of mental illness can have a legal permit to carry a gun....The police and the authorities are telling me he had permits to carry the guns that killed my loved ones. And he was on medicine, medication for mental illness. You tell me how, how does this happen?" Hood was charged with three counts of first-degree murder.

**UPDATE:** In June 2010 Hood pleaded guilty to the three murders and received three consecutive life sentences. Family member Pamela Binkley, who is now raising the two orphaned daughters of Dale and Susan Binkley, told the *Tennessean* that she planned to fight for tougher laws on getting gun permits.

Source: "Hood pleads guilty to murders," *Tennessean.com*, June 16, 2010; "Murder suspect has been under suicide watch," *Tennessean.com*, April 7, 2010; "3 Family Members Killed In Cheatham County," *WSMV.com*, March 27, 2010; Database of Tennessee Handgun Carry Permits, *The Commercial Appeal*, [www.commercialappeal.com/data/gunpermits](http://www.commercialappeal.com/data/gunpermits).

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Frank Graham

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** February 12, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 12, 2010, 34-year-old firefighter, Frank Graham, shot his 35-year-old ex-girlfriend, Taffi Crawford, three times in the parking lot of Delta Medical Center. Graham had a history of domestic violence against his ex-wife and Crawford. The Memphis Fire Department terminated Graham after he had been charged with first-degree murder. Graham held a handgun carry permit.

**UPDATE:** On January 16, 2012, Frank Graham was convicted of first-degree murder in the death of Taffi Crawford. Graham argued the shooting was unintentional, claiming he just wanted to scare Crawford, but tripped and accidentally shot her. Prosecutors argued that Crawford was shot three times and that forensic analysis showed that two of the shots were fired while she was on the ground. Graham was sentenced to life in prison and may be eligible for parole after 51 years.

Source: "Former Firefighter Found Guilty of First Degree Murder," *abc24.com*, January 16, 2012; "CRIME REPORT: Memphis fires firefighter charged with murder." *The Commercial Appeal*, February 17, 2010.

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Troy D. Whiteside

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** August 22, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 22, 2009, Troy D. Whiteside, 41, allegedly shot and killed Reginald Stacy Sudderth, 43, in a parking lot outside a clothing goods store in East Knoxville. According to news reports, neighborhood residents said the two, who had known each other for years and had competing businesses, “couldn’t stand to be around each other.” There were also allegations of arson. In the parking lot, Whiteside allegedly shot at Sudderth more than 10 times with a 9mm pistol. Sudderth was hit several times and died. Whiteside’s attorney claimed that in the lot Sudderth threatened his client and acted as though he were reaching for a weapon. The attorney representing Sudderth’s family stated that Sudderth, who was barred from possessing firearms because of a felony drug conviction, “was unarmed as he is always unarmed and known in the community not to carry weapons.” Whiteside, who was issued a concealed handgun permit on October 19, 2007, was charged with second degree murder and faces a three million dollar wrongful death suit filed by Sudderth’s family.

**UPDATE:** On May 28, 2015, Troy Whiteside pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter and reckless endangerment in the death of Reginald Sudderth. Whiteside was sentenced to 21 years in prison and must serve seven years and four months before he is eligible for parole.

Source: “Political benefactor, businessman reaches plea deal in killing,” *wbir.com*, May 28, 2015; “Update: Shooting case to keep businessman away from ORNL,” *wbir.com*, September 2, 2009; “Bad feelings between two East Knoxville residents went back years,” *knoxnews.com*, August 30, 2009; “Attorney: Whiteside killed man in self-defense,” *knoxnews.com*, August 24, 2009.

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Thomas Pate

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** April 30, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On April 30, 2009, Thomas Pate reported his wife missing to police, telling them that she had failed to return home after going for a run. Pate eventually gave investigators information that led them to his wife's body. Police found her body the night of May 1 near the Loosahatchie River about five miles from the couple's home. Pate told police he had shot his wife in the head and then threw the pistol in the river. His lawyer claimed the shooting was accidental and occurred when Micah Pate walked in front of Thomas Pate as they were target shooting. Pate had a concealed handgun permit that was issued on November 27, 2006. Pate's wife also had a concealed handgun permit. He was initially charged with second degree murder. The charge was later upgraded to premeditated first-degree murder.

**Update:** In March 2011 Thomas Pate entered into a plea agreement in which he plead guilty to a reduced charge of second-degree murder, receiving a prison sentence of 25 years.

Source: "In last-minute agreement, Thomas Pate pleads guilty to second-degree murder," *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, March 7, 2011; "Jury selection to begin for Bartlett man whose wife was shot to death," *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, March 6, 2011; "Murder charges upgraded against Bartlett man," *Associated Press*, September 21, 2009; "Husband charged in Tenn with Searcy woman's death," *Associated Press*, May 5, 2009; "Pate Claims Wife's Death an Accident," *myfoxmemphis.com*, May 4, 2009; "Bartlett nurse's husband charged with second degree murder," *wmctv.com*, May 3, 2009; "Neighbors Shocked Husband Arrested in Wife's Death," *wreg.com*, May 2, 2009.

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Austin Agee

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** March 2009

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** In March 2009, Austin Agee shot and killed Lisa Davis and dumped her body in a field where he used to ride four-wheelers. On March 7, 2009, Agee, Davis, and three other acquaintances partied together in the Beale Street entertainment district in Memphis. The group dropped Davis off at her residence early Sunday morning, but Agee is believed to have returned to the house. Friends reported Davis missing on Sunday when she failed to show up for work at Bumpus Harley-Davidson. On Tuesday, March 10, 2009, Agee fatally shot himself after detectives arrived at his residence to question him as a “person of interest” in the Davis disappearance. A note found at his residence quoted Agee as being sorry for what he had done and revealed where the body could be found. Agee had a concealed handgun permit which was issued on November 10, 2008.

Source: “Details Emerge About Tennessee Model Slain in Mysterious Murder,” *FoxNews.com*, March 13, 2009; “Double tragedy: Suspect’s note leads to remains of missing Bartlett woman in Lakeland field,” *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, March 10, 2009.

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Harry Raymond Coleman

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** February 6, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 6, 2009, Harry Raymond Coleman, 60, shot and killed Robert “Dutch” Schwerin, 52, during an argument over how close their SUVs were parked. The shooting occurred outside the Villa Castrioti restaurant where Schwerin and a woman identified as Coleman’s wife were arguing over how close his GMC Yukon Denali was parked to her Hummer. Coleman retrieved his 45 caliber pistol from the Hummer and shot Schwerin in the chest. Coleman, who received a concealed handgun permit in June 2006, was charged with second-degree murder.

**UPDATE:** In July 2010, Coleman was convicted of second degree murder, aggravated assault, and two counts of assault. Coleman faces up to 25 years in prison without parole. After the verdict, Coleman tried to ingest a mouthful of prescription pills. During the trial, prosecutors told jurors that Coleman and his wife were not fearful that night, only angry, adding, “Poor Harry Coleman. He had to kill a man. He wants to be the first man in history to stick a gun in the mouth of an unarmed man, to stick it in the chest of an unarmed man and then to shoot him to death in front of his children and then call himself a victim.”

Source: “Coleman found guilty of second-degree murder in parking lot shooting,” *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, July 17, 2010; “Attorney: Accused shooter in Cordova parking-lot killing regretful,” *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, February 9, 2009; “In Brief: Cordova shooter appears in court,” *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, February 24, 2009.

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Martino Johnson

**PENDING**

**Date:** February 23, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 23, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Martino Johnson, 34, allegedly shot and killed Terrelle Beasley with a 40 caliber pistol following a car accident in Memphis. The shooting occurred after Beasley accidentally sideswiped Johnson's Ford Taurus with his Honda Civic. Both men jumped out of their cars and began arguing. Police said Johnson pulled out his gun and shot Beasley three times. He died half an hour later. Beasley's mother, Estella Beasley, told reporters, "If you ask me what type of person [Johnson] is, he's a coward. He's a coward because you don't take nobody's life, for no reason. Why should a real man carry a gun? What do you need one for?" Johnson, also reportedly threatened to kill an eyewitness who was trying to call 911. Johnson's concealed handgun permit was issued on January 24, 2007. He was charged with second degree murder and aggravated assault.

Source: "Shooter threatened witness, police say," *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, February 25, 2009; "Most say shooter's actions during robbery attempt on target," *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, July 10, 2009.

## Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Demetria Nance

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** In December 2008, Demetria Nance shot and killed her on-again, off-again boyfriend Aaron Benton III, firing four shots from a 9mm pistol. Nance testified that after Benton decided to end their relationship she was emotionally confused and that after Benton shoved her and turned away she drew her pistol and fired—intending to hit him in the leg. Nance’s lawyer said that she had not planned in advance to shoot Benton, but that after having been robbed “it was her habit to carry the gun with her at all times in her purse.” Nance, who had a concealed handgun permit, was convicted of second degree murder in November 2009.

Source: “Woman convicted of 2<sup>nd</sup> degree murder,” *The Knoxville News-Sentinel*, November 13, 2009; “Trial Centers Around Intent to Kill,” *The Knoxville News-Sentinel*, November 10, 2009.



## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jacques DeCarlos Garcia

**PENDING**

**Date:** March 28, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 28, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Jacques DeCarlos Garcia, 38, allegedly shot and killed Manuel Trejo, 41, following a confrontation in the parking lot of Don Dario's Cantina where both men were celebrating separate birthday parties. According to police, Trejo's SUV was behind Garcia's Mustang and Trejo was unable to reverse because there was a line of cars behind him. According to the restaurant's manager, Trejo honked his horn and got out of his SUV and walked toward Garcia and his Mustang. The restaurant manager claimed he got the cars in front of Garcia to move so that he would be able to leave and diffuse the situation. At that point Garcia allegedly got out of his Mustang to confront Trejo and the two began to fight. The manager said that he saw Garcia hitting Trejo in the head with the butt of a pistol, then heard a shot before he saw Garcia get into his Mustang and drive off. Police chased Garcia on two Interstate highways before cornering him outside an apartment complex. Garcia allegedly refused to get out of his car and police used a Taser to remove him from the vehicle. Trejo died at the scene from a gunshot wound to the chest. According to police, the wound was from close contact as the "muzzle impression was clearly visible." According to police, Garcia admitted that he was not punched until after he pulled his gun and that Trejo "did not make any threats of injury nor did he display a weapon." Garcia was charged with first-degree murder and evading in a motor vehicle.

Source: "Man charged with murder recently discharged from Army," *kxan.com*, March 31, 2015.

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that one Texas concealed handgun license holder was convicted of capital murder by terror threat/other felony. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013*, Texas Department of Public Safety, [www.dps.texas.gov](http://www.dps.texas.gov).

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013

**People Killed:** 3

**Circumstances:** Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that three Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of murder. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013*, Texas Department of Public Safety, [www.dps.texas.gov](http://www.dps.texas.gov).

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Crystal Scott

**PENDING**

**Date:** September 17, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On September 17, 2012 concealed handgun permit holder Crystal Scott, 23, allegedly shot and killed an unnamed man after a minor roadway collision. After the collision, Scott, who was on her way to work at approximately 7:20 AM., pulled into a Shell station to exchange information with the other driver. According to Scott, after the two were parked at the gas station the man, whose name was not released by police, got out of his pick-up truck and ran up to her car, yelling, hitting her car window, and attempting to open her car door. Scott fired a pistol at the man who was found dead by police with two gunshot wounds to the chest. Scott had called 911 prior to pulling into the gas station, concerned about the man's actions following the collision: pulling in front of her car with his vehicle and then slamming on his brakes. Scott was released without charges and her case was referred to the Harris County grand jury.

**UPDATE:** In February 2013, Crystal Scott was indicted for murder in the killing of Jonathan Ables.

Source: "Woman indicted in fatal shooting after traffic accident," *Houston Chronicle*, February 19, 2013; "Possible road rage ends in fatal shooting," *www.chron.com*, September 17, 2012.

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dennis Roy Redding

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** June 23, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On June 23, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Dennis Roy Redding, 63, allegedly shot and killed Dr. Mark K. Holcomb, 61, following an argument at the oral surgeon's weekend home. Redding is a retired Houston police officer and former security officer at the Johnson Space Center. Redding and Holcomb were friends who had a falling out and were reportedly working to patch up their relationship. Following a disagreement, Redding left the living room of Holcomb's house, retrieved a .380 pistol from his luggage, returned to the living room, and allegedly shot Holcomb in the stomach. Holcomb died at the hospital a few hours later. Others present at the house grabbed Redding and held him until police arrived. Redding was arrested and charged with murder.

**UPDATE:** On May 12, 2014, Dennis Roy Redding was found guilty of manslaughter in the death of Dr. Mark Holcomb. Redding faces up to 20 years in prison.

Source: "Ex-Houston officer convicted in dentist slaying," *click2houston.com*, May 14, 2014; "Retired cop gets murder charge," *Galveston Daily News*, June 24, 2012.

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unidentified

**PENDING**

**Date:** May 17, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On May 17, 2012, an unidentified concealed handgun permit holder allegedly shot Tyrza Smith, 26, during a robbery at a Family Dollar store. According to police, two masked men entered the store around 10:00 PM. As the men approached Smith and demanded money, a customer who was armed and had a concealed handgun permit pulled his gun and exchanged gunfire with the robbers. Smith was shot in the chest and killed, and the two suspects fled in the customer's rental car. One of the alleged robbers was later arrested, while a second suspect is still at large. According to police, the bullet that killed Tyrza Smith came from the concealed handgun permit holder's gun.

Source: "Arrest made in deadly shooting at Family Dollar store," *abclocal.go.com*, May 31, 2012; "Still no arrests after fatal gunfight at Family Dollar," *myfoxboston.com*, May 23, 2012; "HPD: Young, female Family Dollar clerk killed in gunfight between robbers, customer," *khou.com*, May 18, 2012.

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between January 1, 2012 and December 31, 2012

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** Between January 1, 2012 and December 31, 2012, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that two Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of criminal homicide. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2012 - 12/31/2012*, Texas Department of Public Safety, [www.dps.texas.gov](http://www.dps.texas.gov).

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011

**People Killed:** 6

**Circumstances:** Between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that six Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of criminal homicide. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2011 - 12/31/2011*, Texas Department of Public Safety, [www.dps.texas.gov](http://www.dps.texas.gov).

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011

**People Killed:** at least 2

**Circumstances:** Between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that one Texas concealed handgun license holder was convicted of capital murder of multiple persons. The report does not detail the specific number of deaths, but it must be no fewer than two. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2011 - 12/31/2011*, Texas Department of Public Safety, [www.dps.texas.gov](http://www.dps.texas.gov).

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Franklin

**PENDING**

**Date:** November 21, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 21, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder William Franklin, 81, was traveling in his pickup truck on I-40 near Shamrock, Texas when he allegedly grazed the side of 65-year-old concealed handgun permit holder William Thompson Nardin's rented Chevrolet Impala. Both men were traveling with their wives to Thanksgiving gatherings. The Impala was not badly damaged and Nardin called 911 to report the incident while Franklin continued to drive further west. Approximately 30 minutes later, Nardin pulled in to Allsup's Convenience Store where Franklin was filling his truck with gas. The vehicles were parked on opposite sides of the gas pump, and Nardin approached the pickup as Franklin sat inside. An argument ensued, and Franklin allegedly fired several shots with a .38 revolver through his truck's door and driver's side window. Nardin was hit in the upper chest and died. Franklin was charged with murder and posted a \$75,000 cash bond.

Source: "Shooting victim said to be man in charge," *amarillo.com*, November 22, 2011.



## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder: Tan Do**

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** July 23, 2011

**People Killed:** 6 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On July 23, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Tan Do, 35, opened fire at his son's 11<sup>th</sup> birthday party being held at the Forum Roller World in Grand Prairie, Texas, killing the boy's mother and four members of her family before taking his own life. The rink was closed for the private party which was attended by approximately 30 family and friends. Do asked his children to leave the area before he began the attack. According to news reports, Do's wife had obtained a protective order against him in December 2010 but had withdrawn it later against a prosecutor's advice "because she wanted to give him another chance." Do was reported to have been a domestic abuser who had threatened his wife with firearms. Walt Hedrick, owner of the roller rink, told reporters, "Kids were having fun and all of a sudden Bang! Bang! Bang!"

Source: "Police Offer Counseling After Roller Rink Rampage," *publicbroadcasting.net*, July 25, 2011; "I hope I'm making the right decision': Wife of Texas gunman withdrew protection order against him months before he shot her and family dead at son's roller rink birthday party," *MailOnline*, July 25, 2011.

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between January 1, 2010 and December 31, 2010

**People Killed:** 6

**Circumstances:** Between January 1, 2010 and December 31, 2010, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that six Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of criminal homicide. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2010 - 12/31/2010*, Texas Department of Public Safety, [www.dps.texas.gov](http://www.dps.texas.gov).

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Raul Rodriguez

**PENDING**

**Date:** May 2010

**People Killed :** 1

**Circumstances:** In May 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Raul Rodriguez, 47, shot and killed elementary school teacher Kelly Danaher, 36. Rodriguez, a retired firefighter, was angry over the noise coming from a night-time birthday party for Danaher's wife and went over to Danaher's home carrying his handgun while recording the interaction on video. In the 22-minute video, Rodriguez is heard telling a 911 operator "my life is in danger now" and "these people are going to go try and kill me" as well as, "I'm standing my ground here." When someone appeared to confront Rodriguez and grab his camera, he fired, killing Danaher, who was in his driveway, and injuring two other men, one of whom was a Houston Fire Department captain. During his murder trial in 2012, Rodriguez invoked Texas' "Stand Your Ground" law in his defense of shooting the three unarmed men, a claim that the prosecution, using the permit holder's own video evidence, dismissed. The Harris County Assistant District Attorney told the court that Rodriguez made sure to use all of the "CHL [Concealed Handgun License] buzzwords" that he had learned in his concealed carry class. According to news reports, Rodriguez's attorney said that he was the type of concealed handgun permit holder who "wears a holstered gun and an extra clip just to go outside." During the trial, "One neighbor testified that Rodriguez bragged about his guns and said a person could avoid prosecution in a shooting by telling authorities you were in fear of your life and were standing your ground and defending yourself." In June 2012 Raul Rodriguez was convicted of murder and sentenced to 40 years in prison.

**UPDATE:** On December 18, 2014, Houston's First Court of Appeals ruled that the jury's instructions on Texas' self-defense law were so confusing that Rodriguez did not receive a fair trial and ordered a new trial in the case.

Source: "Court overturns 'stand your ground' conviction," *Houston Chronicle*, December 18, 2014; "Raul Rodriguez, Texas man, gets 40 years in prison for fatally shooting neighbor after claiming 'stand your ground' defense," *cbsnews.com*, June 28, 2012; "In Texas, 'stand your ground' case leads to murder conviction," *latimes.com*, June 14, 2012; "Texas man convicted in stand-your-ground case," *usatoday.com*, June 14, 2012; "Courts: Self-defense case hinges on video of incident," *Houston Chronicle*, June 6, 2012.

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Richard Calderon

**PENDING**

**Date:** March 3, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 3, 2010, Richard Calderon, 24, allegedly shot and killed 13-year-old Alexis Wiley following a hit-and-run motor vehicle accident. According to investigators cited in press reports, Wiley and her mother were traveling in their gray Nissan Altima when Calderon, driving a four-door Cadillac, bypassed a stop sign, crashed his car into the Altima, and then drove on. Wiley's mother chased after the Cadillac to get its license plate number and a more complete description of the vehicle. After getting the plate number, Wiley's mother passed the Cadillac, at which point Calderon allegedly fired several shots at the Altima, at least one of which struck the 13-year-old in the head. Calderon stated that he fired at the woman's car because he thought he saw something shiny being pointed outside the car's window. Calderon, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with murder. In addition to surrendering all of his firearms, he was also forced to give up his concealed handgun permit.

Source: "Accused Road Rage Shooter Appears in Court," *myfoxfhouston.com*, March 5, 2010; "Hit-And-Run Leads to Shooting; Teenage Texas Girl Killed." *kwtx.com*, March 5, 2010.

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ronnie Cook

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** May 13, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On May 13, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Ronnie Cook exchanged gunfire with police in an hours-long standoff during which Cook wore a bulletproof vest. The standoff began after Cook phoned a woman and told her that he had killed his wife. The woman then called police. When officers eventually entered Cook's home, they found his wife Darlene dead in the bathroom with a single gunshot wound to the head. Police also found at least five guns and significant amounts of ammunition. According to the assistant district attorney for Anderson County, authorities believed Cook shot his wife as she sat on the toilet. He called the shooting a "cold-blooded and calculated murder." In January 2010, Cook pleaded guilty to one count of murder and four counts of attempted murder against the responding officers. Cook had been a police officer in the 1970s and was an instructor for Cook's Concealed Carry as was his deceased wife. The Cooks had taught concealed handgun permit classes on their property using a mobile home converted into an indoor firing range. He was still listed as such on the Texas Concealed Handgun Association's directory of instructors after he was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Source: "Cook sentenced to life in prison," *Palestine Herald-Press*, January 16, 2010; "Man charged with attempted capital murder after standoff," *Palestine Herald-Press*, May 15, 2009.

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** Between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008 the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that three Texas concealed handgun permit holders had been convicted of murder. This is one of those convictions.

Source: "Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2008 - 12/31/2008," [www.txdps.state.tx.us](http://www.txdps.state.tx.us).

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** Between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008 the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that three Texas concealed handgun permit holders had been convicted of murder. This is one of those convictions.

Source: "Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2008 - 12/31/2008," [www.txdps.state.tx.us](http://www.txdps.state.tx.us).

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** Between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008 the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that three Texas concealed handgun permit holders had been convicted of murder. This is one of those convictions.

Source: "Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders , Reporting Period: 01/01/2008 - 12/31/2008," [www.txdps.state.tx.us](http://www.txdps.state.tx.us).

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** Between January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** Between January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2009 the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that one Texas concealed handgun permit holder had been convicted of murder.

Source: "Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2009 - 12/31/2009," [www.txdps.state.tx.us](http://www.txdps.state.tx.us).

## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Moises Gonzalez

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** December 30, 2008

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On December 30, 2008, Moises Gonzalez, 28, embarked on a two-day crime spree that began when he fired shots into ex-girlfriend Maura Marroquin's car in a busy McAllen intersection. Gonzalez then kidnapped Marroquin, 23 and the mother of a three-year-old, at gunpoint and commenced a series of crimes spread over approximately a dozen jurisdictions that included stealing four cars, brandishing a gun at victims, and eluding police in high-speed chases. At one point, McAllen police took the unusual step of calling a press conference to warn the public about Gonzalez's growing propensity for violence. Gonzalez, who had a concealed handgun permit, eventually killed Marroquin in an H.E.B. supermarket, shooting her twice in the torso. He then stole a Cadillac which he crashed into the entrance of a Wal-Mart, plowing through the check-out aisles. He then turned his gun on himself, ending his life. Hidalgo County Sheriff Lupe Trevino told reporters that he had never seen a more violent crime spree in more than 20 years as a law enforcement officer, stating, "It was very obvious this was going to end violently. Sure as hell, that's the way it turned out."

Source: "New Year's murder-suicide in Texas stores," *Associated Press* at [dallasnews.com](http://dallasnews.com), January 2, 2009; "Murder-suicide perpetrator described as 'very jealous person,'" [themonitor.com](http://themonitor.com), January 2, 2009; "Two dead in crime spree, man goes on rampage killing ex-girlfriend, self," [brownsvilleherald.com](http://brownsvilleherald.com), January 1, 2009.



## Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Alan Godin

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** October 13, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On October 13, 2008, concealed handgun permit holder Alan Godin, 64, shot and killed fellow librarian Devin Zimmerman, 37, in the school library of Northeast Lakeview College. According to witnesses, Godin walked into the library, approached Zimmerman at the front desk, put on ear protection, and then shot him five times with his pistol. He then sat down at a desk, put his head down, and waited for police. Zimmerman had recently been given a full-time tenure track position at the library that Godin had desired. At the trial, fellow librarian Robert Vaughn, his “voice quivering,” described the aftermath of the shooting: “He was gasping for air and he was trying to talk. I was...just trying to reassure him. I kept telling him that it was going to be alright, we were going to get through it.” Jurors rejected an insanity defense presented by Godin’s attorneys and convicted him of murder. Zimmerman’s widow, who had been pregnant at the time of his death, wept as the decision was announced. Godin was convicted of first degree murder and sentenced to 25 years and a fine of \$10,000.

Source: “NLC librarian sentenced 25 years for murder,” *www.theranger.org*, October 14, 2010; “College librarian is found guilty of murder,” *San Antonio Express-News*, October 13, 2010; “Godin found guilty in shooting death of librarian,” *www.theranger.org*, October 12, 2010; “Defendant claims insanity at library murder trial,” *San Antonio Express-News*, October 7, 2010.

## Utah

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Mary Nance Hanson

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 29, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 29, 2010, 70-year-old Mary Nance Hanson allegedly shot and killed her ex-daughter-in law Tetyana Nikitina—a single mother of two, ages seven and nine—as she was leaving the Head Start school where she worked. Hanson allegedly fired five shots from her 38-caliber revolver as Nikitina sat behind the wheel of her Dodge Magnum. Nikitina was struck in the head and her car rolled into a parked minivan. Nikitina’s fiancée Rod Hernandez was on the phone with her when Hanson allegedly fired several shots at Nikitina, stopped to reload, and then fired several more rounds. Hanson called 911 from the parking lot and told dispatchers she had shot Nikitina. Hanson, a concealed handgun permit holder, was arrested on investigation of murder.

**UPDATE:** On August 18, 2010, Hanson pleaded guilty to murder, and in a note to the judge explained, “My physical health is deteriorating rapidly, and I do not believe it would be in the best interests of taxpayers or of myself to pursue a trial.” In court, Hanson told the judge, “I would like to be sent forthwith to the prison, and I would like to request death by lethal injection.” When told her case was not eligible for the death penalty, she responded, “Well, then, I guess I didn’t do a good enough job.” Hanson faces a sentence of 15 years to life in prison.

Source: “Killed for custody,” *Salt Lake City Weekly*, October 6, 2010; “Police say teacher was killed by former mother-in-law,” *Deseret News*, January 31, 2010; “70-year-old arrested in fatal shooting,” *Salt Lake Tribune*, January 30, 2010.

## Utah

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Justin Matern

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** December 17, 2009

**People Killed:** 4 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On December 17, 2009, Justin Matern shot and killed his wife and two sons, ages six and four, before turning the gun on himself. Matern killed his family members at the apartment his wife had moved into after leaving him. Prior to the shooting, Matern wrote a note he left at work describing his plans. He also sent text messages after the killings. The couple had experienced money problems including state-imposed tax liens in 2004 and 2008. Relatives said that Matern was distraught over the separation from his wife. Matern's daughter said that he obtained his concealed handgun permit when the family had previously lived in a Salt Lake City neighborhood that he feared was unsafe.

Source: "Murdered family had money troubles, anxieties," *Salt Lake Tribune*, December 19, 2009.

## Utah

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** David Ragsdale

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 6, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 6, 2008, David Ragsdale shot his wife Kristy 12 times, killing her. In 2005, Ragsdale took a concealed-weapons permit class and received a concealed handgun permit. On November 26, 2008, Ragsdale pled guilty to aggravated murder. According to the terms of his plea agreement, he was to be sentenced to 20 years to life in prison. In an interview with the *Deseret News*, Ragsdale claimed that he would not have killed his wife if he did not have access to a gun. "I probably would have parked my car, sat there and regained my composure," he stated.

Source: "Ragsdale is bound over for trial in wife's slaying," *Deseret Morning News*, June 3, 2008; "David Ragsdale pleads guilty to killing his wife," *Daily Herald*, November 26, 2008; "Access to gun lead to shooting wife, Ragsdale says in exclusive interview," *Deseret News*, March 19, 2009.

## Utah

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Eugene C. Wright

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** November 15, 2007

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 15, 2007, Eugene C. Wright allegedly shot and killed Utah Valley State College hockey coach Kenneth Dolezsar outside of the Village Inn restaurant in Sandy, Utah. A witness claimed to see Wright and Dolezsar arguing in the parking lot, followed by Wright shooting Dolezsar. A Sandy Police detective testified that he found a shell casing from a 9mm Springfield Armory pistol during a search of Wright's condo. A ballistics test by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives showed that the shell casing was fired from the same gun as five shell casings found at the scene of the murder. Wright had a concealed handgun permit according to the Sandy Police. Wright was charged with murder and aggravated robbery.

**UPDATE:** On April 30, 2010, a jury of three men and five women deliberated for 11 hours before finding Wright guilty of first-degree felony counts of murder and aggravated robbery for shooting and killing Dolezsar and then stealing his SUV.

Source: "Jury reaches guilty verdict in Wright murder trial," *Salt Lake Tribune*, May 1, 2010; "Arrest made in coach's shooting death," *The Salt Lake Tribune*, February 29, 2008; "Shooting suspect to stand trial," *Daily Herald*, April 25, 2008.

## Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Laurence Smith

**PENDING**

**Date:** March 16, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 16, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Laurence Smith, 37, allegedly shot and killed her husband, Sean Smith, 44. The couple lived in Spotsylvania County, Virginia. Their two daughters, ages six and nine, were at home during the shooting. Smith told police that she “pulled the trigger” but the shooting was unintentional. According to her defense attorney, Smith thought she was holding an unloaded gun. “She said there was some disagreement, a disagreement about guns, maintaining the guns, or securing the guns,” the defense attorney said. One of the daughters said the couple was fighting about a gun case, while the other child said the fight was about a scratch on the gun. According to news reports, Sean Smith was a hunter who owned many firearms, but the .380 gun used in the shooting belonged to Laurence Smith, not her husband. Laurence Smith has been charged with second-degree murder and use of a firearm in the commission of a felony.

Source: “No bond for Spotsylvania woman who shot, killed husband,” *The Free Lance-Star*, April 2, 2015.

## Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dominique T. Clark

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** February 25, 2014

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 25, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Dominique T. Clark, 34, shot and killed Robert Lee Fox, 16, after confronting Fox and a group of teens who were breaking into cars on the street where Clark lived. Clark heard a car alarm going off and saw four people gathered around a vehicle at around 1:30 AM. Clark grabbed his pistol and went outside to confront the teens who fled into an alley. Clark followed and told them to freeze. The teens cursed at him and reportedly threatened to kill him. Clark said he saw one teen appear to reach for something in his waistband and Clark then fired one shot which struck and fatally wounded Fox. Clark was found guilty of involuntary manslaughter, was required to pay a \$2,500 fine, and will likely serve no jail time.

Source: "Shooter of Hanover teen burglary suspect gets no jail time; listen to 911 calls," *wtvr.com*, October 24, 2014.

## Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Bradley Scott Gregory

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 1, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 1, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Bradley Scott Gregory, 27, allegedly shot and killed Michael Scott Shirley, 27, following an argument at a residence. According to court documents, following the argument, Gregory went to his vehicle and retrieved an unloaded handgun from the glove compartment and the ammunition magazine from the center console. Gregory then allegedly loaded the gun and shot Shirley in the chest, killing him. Gregory was arrested at the scene, and admitted to the shooting, according to court documents. Gregory told a judge that he had been unemployed since December 12 when he quit his job at the Underground Casino and Lounge in Bunker Hill, West Virginia and that he lived with his girlfriend. Gregory was charged with first-degree murder and using a firearm in the commission of a felony.

**UPDATE:** On April 17, 2013, Bradley Scott Gregory was found guilty of voluntary manslaughter in the death of Michael Scott Shirley. Gregory was found not guilty of using a firearm in the commission of a murder. The jury recommended that Gregory serve eight years in prison.

Source: "Jury Finds Bradley Scott Gregory Guilty of Voluntary Manslaughter, Recommends 8 Years," *The Winchester Star*, April 17, 2013; "Murder suspect remains in jail," *nvdaily.com*, January 4, 2012.



## Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Blaine Tyler

### **SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT**

**Date:** November 25, 2011

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On November 25, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Blaine Tyler, 48, was shot and killed with his own handgun, allegedly by Toby Smith, 16, inside a Richmond gas station. Seven hours later, at 2:30 AM, Smith allegedly used Tyler's handgun to shoot and kill Pierre Walter "Pete" Cosby, 32, during a robbery attempt as Cosby sat in his car with a woman. According to authorities, Smith and Tyee Marquel Hamiel, 16, followed Tyler into a BP gas station to rob him. Although Tyler had a permit to carry concealed, he was carrying his handgun in a holster, plainly visible. Smith grabbed the handgun from Tyler and allegedly shot him in the chest after Tyler chased him. According to authorities, "Tyler's handgun was taken from his person, and within 30 seconds he was shot..." Tyler's wife said that he took his gun "everywhere he went" and that he had obtained the gun after an incident that had made him feel defenseless. "I wasn't 100 percent comfortable with it," Sophia Tyler stated after the shooting, "But he felt that he needed it." Less than seven hours later, Smith used Tyler's gun to allegedly shoot and kill Cosby in a robbery attempt. Smith faces multiple charges, including: two counts of murder in the deaths of Tyler and Cosby; robbery of Tyler; conspiracy to rob Tyler; two counts of attempted robbery; and, 11 firearm charges. Hamiel was charged with: murder in the death of Tyler; robbery; conspiracy to commit robbery; use of a firearm in a robbery; possession of a gun by a minor; use of a firearm in a murder; shooting in a building; and, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

Sources: "Teen faces new charges in BP shooting," *Richmond Times Dispatch*, February 17, 2012; "Teen homicide suspects have criminal histories," *Richmond Times Dispatch*, December 3, 2011; "Second teen arrested in South Richmond slaying; Victim shot at gas station had gun taken from him, police say," *Richmond Times Dispatch*, December 1, 2011.

## Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unidentified

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** November 13, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 13, 2011, a concealed handgun permit holder in Spotsylvania County, Virginia, died after his Glock pistol discharged as he tried to adjust the weapon which was tucked into his waistband. The 45-year-old man was sitting in the front seat of his minivan with his children as his wife was returning a DVD to a Redbox outside a Giant Food store. “For some reason, maybe for comfort, he reached out and went to adjust it,” said Spotsylvania sheriff’s Capt. Liz Scott. “The detective thinks that in doing so—in just grabbing it—he inadvertently grabbed the trigger.” The single shot struck the man in the hip and he bled to death in minutes. The man’s wife and four children, all younger than 10 years old, heard the gunshot and initially thought a balloon had burst as there were balloons in the van.

Source: “Man killed by his own concealed weapon,” *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, November 18, 2011; “UPDATE: Police say shooting victim had gun tucked in waistband,” *wtvr.com*, November 16, 2011.

## Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Randy Gilbert Newberry

### **KILLED BY POLICE**

**Date:** March 13, 2011

**Law Enforcement Officers Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On March 13, 2011, Randy Gilbert Newberry, 52, opened fire on Virginia sheriff's deputies killing two and critically wounding two others. Newberry used a high-powered rifle in the sniper attack, firing approximately 50 rounds in the assault. He was killed by police when he pointed a handgun at responding officers. Newberry's neighbors were stunned by the lethal outburst by someone with no criminal history. He had renewed his concealed handgun permit three times since 1999, most recently in 2009. Newberry was an avid hunter who liked guns according to neighbors.

Source: "Randy Gilbert Newberry lived quiet life according to neighbors, records," *TriCities.com*, March 15, 2011; "Conley: 'It smelled like it smelled in Vietnam. It's like those shots fill the air and hang there forever,'" *TriCities.com*, March 15, 2011; "Va. Mountain sniper who killed 2 deputies, wounded 2 others made final phone call to his wife," *Associated Press*, March 14, 2011.

## Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ali A. Abid

**PENDING (FLED THE COUNTRY)**

**Date:** March 6, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 6, 2011, police discovered the body of private investigator Arthur “Greg” Brown, 50, inside the trunk of his 2007 Honda that was parked at the Valley Mall in Harrisonburg, VA. Brown had been shot to death and stuffed in his car’s trunk. Brown, the owner of Argus Investigative Services, had been serving divorce papers to concealed handgun permit holder Ali A. Abid, 50, who has been charged with first degree murder and the use of a firearm in the commission of a felony. Abid, an immigrant from Iraq, is believed to have fled the country after the killing, according to police.

**UPDATE:** On March 10, 2011, the Harrisonburg Police Department issued a statement saying it “can confirm that Ali Abid fled the area on Thursday of last week, and is no longer in the United States of America.”

Source: “Abid On The Lam,” *hburgnews.com*, March 11, 2011; “International hunt continues for man charged in slaying,” *newsleader.com*, March 6, 2012.

## Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Timothy Drew

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** September 23, 2010

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On September 23, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Timothy Drew, 42, shot and killed his estranged wife Kimberly Drew, 44, before taking his own life in the home they once shared. Kimberly Drew, an executive assistant at First Citizens Bank in Roanoke, VA, was found murdered on her bed. Timothy Drew, a former Roanoke firefighter who supervised locomotive maintenance for Norfolk Southern, was found dead atop her body. The Drews had been married for nearly 20 years and were scheduled for a divorce court hearing that upcoming Tuesday. Kimberly Drew described her husband as violent and abusive. Days before the shooting, Timothy Drew was charged with assaulting his estranged wife's current boyfriend, Michael "Andy" Stegall. Stegall, also a concealed handgun permit holder, said that Drew called him a name, threatened to kill him, threw him to the ground, hit him in the eye, and bit him on the arm. Drew also swore out a warrant against Stegall for brandishing a firearm and assault as a result of the fight. Stegall's estranged wife Rhonda was friends with Timothy Drew and spoke with him regularly, saying, "This was extremely out of character for him....I know him as a caring father. I never saw any anger issues. I never saw any of that." When the Drews' children, ages 17 and 11, arrived home at their mother's house they were greeted by "police cars, yellow crime-scene tape and horrified neighbors." They told police that their father "seemed depressed about everything that was going on with...[the]...separation."

Source: "Vinton couple found dead in likely murder-suicide," *roanoke.com*, September 24, 2010.

## Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Robert Klosterman

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** May 2, 2010

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On May 2, 2010, former Navy Captain Robert Klosterman, 64, shot and killed his wife Rebecca, 57, in their home before shooting himself to death. Klosterman, a fighter pilot and combat veteran who had served as the captain of the Naval carrier USS Stennis, was in the early stages of divorce. According to news reports, Rebecca Klosterman filed for divorce in 2008. Soon after that the relationship turned violent and Rebecca filed a protective order against Robert after she reported that he had pointed a gun at her. A judge granted the protective order and at the same time the court revoked Robert Klosterman's concealed handgun permit (which he had possessed since 2005). Soon after, a more long-term protective order was denied and a judge dismissed the case, stating that there was not sufficient evidence showing that Robert had pointed the gun at Rebecca. Robert Klosterman's attorney then filed a motion to allow the concealed handgun permit to be reinstated.

Source: "As officer rose, marriage crumbled, ending in murder-suicide," *Pilotonline.com*, May 4, 2010; "Husband and wife found dead in Norfolk home in apparent murder-suicide," *www.wtkr.com*, May 3, 2010.

## Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Peter Simpson

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** February 2, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 2, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Peter Simpson, 56, shot and killed his 19-year-old stepson Devon Mason with a .45 pistol in the home they shared with the young man's mother, Francelia Archie. Late in the evening of February 1, Archie heard her husband making a 911 call on behalf of a woman he had previously had an affair with who claimed that her boyfriend had beaten her. Archie, sleeping in a separate bedroom from Simpson that night because of a prior fight, confronted her husband about the call. During the argument Simpson began pushing his wife out of the bedroom when she refused to leave. Mason heard the commotion and attempted to intervene. Simpson then went to his nightstand and pulled out the gun. Mason, unarmed and in his underwear, was shot four times by his stepfather, a registered nurse. Before pulling the trigger, Simpson, who had long had a contentious relationship with the 250-pound Mason, stated, "I'm tired of your superhero bull...." Mason was hit in the abdomen, arm, and twice in the back. His spine severed, he collapsed in the bedroom doorway. Simpson then stepped over him and went outside to call 911. Mason's mother, also a nurse, tried to help the teenager, who later died after being taken to a hospital. In urging the jury to reject Simpson's claim of self-defense against the large teen, prosecutor Julia Sichol stated, "You can't bring a gun to a fistfight." The jury recommended that Simpson serve 22 years in prison and an additional three years for using a firearm in the crime. The judge affirmed the verdict and set formal sentencing for April 26, 2011.

Source: "Chesterfield man convicted of second-degree murder in stepson's fatal shooting," *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, February 16, 2011; "Self-defense claimed in Chesterfield murder case," *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, February 15, 2011.

## Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Christopher Speight

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 19, 2010

**People Killed:** 8

**Circumstances:** On January 19, 2010, Christopher Speight allegedly shot and killed eight people including his sister and her husband, their 15-year-old daughter and four-year-old son, as well as two teenagers aged 15 and 16. The incident began when police responded to reports of a wounded man on the side of an unpaved road. Sheriff's deputies then found seven more bodies. As police converged on the scene, Speight fired a high-powered rifle at least four times at a state police helicopter, rupturing its gas tank and forcing it to land. Speight was described by co-workers as a handyman, construction worker, and security guard who had a longtime fascination with guns and a fear of government conspiracies. Speight enjoyed target shooting at a range on his property. According to neighbors, prior to the shooting Speight began shooting daily on his range, including high-powered rifles. Speight, troubled about a perceived family dispute over a house and land, owned as many as 40 guns and was said to be very skilled with weapons. A bomb squad discovered a "multitude" of explosive devices in Speight's home. Speight had a concealed handgun permit issued in 1999. His most recent application was filed in January 2009 which was "seen and agreed to" by the Appomattox Commonwealth's Attorney and approved by a circuit court judge. The day after the shooting Speight, wearing a bulletproof vest, surrendered to police. Speight was initially charged with one count of murder, and more murder charges were expected to be forthcoming.

**UPDATE:** On February 15, 2013, Christopher Speight pleaded guilty to three counts of capital murder, one count of attempted capital murder of a police officer, and five firearms counts.

Source: "Va. Man charged with killing 8 pleads guilty," *Associated Press*, February 15, 2013; "Appomattox rampage suspect faces murder count," *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, January 21, 2010; "Attorney: Va. killing suspect had mental problems," *Associated Press*, January 21, 2010.



## Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Willie Donaldson

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 8, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On December 8, 2008, Willie Donaldson shot and killed Matthew Hicks following a planned sexual liaison. Hicks and his girlfriend went to Donaldson's house after Donaldson responded to an advertisement the couple had placed on Craigslist offering "erotic services." Donaldson, who was issued a concealed handgun permit in 2006, was initially charged with one count of second-degree murder and one count of using a firearm while committing murder. He eventually pled guilty to manslaughter without any jail time.

Source: "Craigslist Killing in Self-Defense, Accused Says," *Connection Newspapers*, February 3, 2009; "Guilty Plea, No Jail Time in Erotic Services Killing," *Washington Post*, July 16, 2009.

## Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Evan Gargiulo

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** November 2, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 2, 2008, concealed handgun permit holder Evan Gargiulo, 22, shot and killed cab driver Mazhar Nazir, 49, over a fare dispute. Gargiulo—dressed as a surfer in wet suit, diver’s boots, and blonde wig—left a Halloween party at a Washington, DC, nightclub and discovered that he had lost his wallet, cell phone, and keys. Gargiulo still had money stashed in his wet suit when he hailed Nazir’s cab to return to his home in Reston. Once home, he asked Nazir to wait while he retrieved an extra set of keys so that Nazir could then take him to a friend’s condominium where he had left his sports utility vehicle. While at his apartment, Gargiulo also took his 9mm handgun. Gargiulo’s attorney later said that it wasn’t uncommon for him to arm himself, stating, “He has a permit to carry a gun, and he regularly carries it.” After Nazir drove Gargiulo to his friend’s condominium, Gargiulo discovered that he had lost the money he thought he still had for the \$130 fare. Gargiulo claimed that a dispute over the fare ensued, that Nazir lunged at him, and that he shot the cab driver in the back of the head in self-defense. In March 2010, a Fairfax County jury rejected Gargiulo’s claim that he acted in self-defense, or out of insanity, and sentenced him to 15 years in prison: 12 for murder and a mandatory three consecutive years for using a gun. During the trial, Nazir’s 13-year-old son told the jury, “There’s an emptiness in my life. There’s no one that listens to me like my dad did. My dad cared for me. He didn’t care about any money.”

Source: “Reston man gets 15 years in shooting death of cabbie near Tysons,” *Washington Post*, March 13, 2010; “Ex-Penn St. swim coach charged in Va. killing, Former Hillsborough captain allegedly shot cab driver,” *Newark Star-Ledger*, November 11, 2008.

## Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Aaron Poseidon Jackson

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** May 5, 2008

**People Killed:** 4 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On May 5, 2008, Aaron Poseidon Jackson, 24, shot and killed his two children, one-year-old Aaron Neptune Jackson and two-year-old Nicole Aaron Jackson, and their mother Latasha Nicole Thomas, before taking his own life. Jackson, who had a concealed handgun permit, was wearing body armor and was surrounded by guns and ammunition when police found him dead in their home in the Walt Lou Trailer Park. Jackson shot his wife with an AK-47 type WASR-10 assault rifle. He shot his children, found in a crib in a bedroom they shared, with a Smith & Wesson .38 revolver. Jackson killed himself with the revolver. Police later searched the trailer and seized at least seven guns, six knives, a machete, a sword, and numerous boxes of ammunition.

Source: "Police: Man killed children and their mother before turning gun on himself," *fredericksburg.com*, May 6, 2008; Stafford County Sheriffs Office Incident Report.

## Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Wesley Earnest

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** December 2007

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** In December 2007, Wesley Earnest allegedly shot and killed his estranged wife Jocelyn Branham Earnest. Her body was found by co-workers in a home owned by the couple. She died from a single gunshot wound to the back of the head. Prosecutors argued that the suicide note found beside her body was fabricated. Wesley Earnest had a concealed handgun permit, which was later suspended. He has been charged with murder.

**UPDATE:** On April 5, 2010, Earnest was found guilty of first-degree murder. The jury recommended life in prison, plus three years for using a firearm in the commission of a felony, plus a fine of \$100,000. The sentence was the maximum the jury could recommend. Final sentencing will be imposed by the judge in the case.

Source: "Earnest found guilty; jury recommends life," *The Roanoke Times*, April 6, 2010; "Bedford County man accused of killing his wife can stay out of jail," *The Roanoke Times*, April 15, 2009.

## Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Millard James Tallant III

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** May 26, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On May 26, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Millard James Tallant III, 62, shot himself in the head after being shot twice in a confrontation with law enforcement. According to a search warrant filed after the shooting, Tallant had lost his job within the prior year and was going through a divorce. He had not told his wife of 18 years about losing his job, instead using \$100,000 of his retirement funds to pay his bills. On the night of the shooting, he showed up at his estranged wife's house. She called 911 just after midnight, telling dispatchers that he was acting strangely and had been making comments about suicide for several days. Tallant walked away from his wife's house, but she called 911 again after hearing an apparent gunshot. Sheriff's Deputy Dan Tenbrink responded to the call and as he approached, Tallant reportedly walked around the side of his car holding a .380 pistol. Tallant walked towards the deputy, ignoring commands to drop his weapon. Tenbrink fired a shot when Tallant raised his weapon, and when Tallant still did not drop his gun, Tallant fired three more times. Tallant fell down and Tenbrink heard a single shot. An autopsy found that Tallant shot himself once in the head and was also struck twice in the chest. It was inconclusive as to which of the bullets caused his death.

Source: "After deputy shot him, troubled man shot himself, report says," *heraldnet.com*, June 12, 2015.

## Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dennis Clark III

### **SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT**

**Date:** April 21, 2013

**People Killed:** 4

**Circumstances:** On April 21, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Dennis Clark III, 27, shot and killed four people before being killed by police. The shootings began when Clark shot and killed his girlfriend Justine Baez, 24, in the apartment they shared in Federal Way, Washington. According to police, after leaving the apartment, Clark confronted Ceasar Valdovinos, 23, and Bradley Fischer, 47, and argued with them before fatally shooting them both. Roland Scobee, 62, reportedly heard the commotion and went outside to investigate before retreating back to his apartment to call 911. Clark then broke his door down with a shotgun and killed him. According to Federal Way Police Chief Brian Wilson, officers responding to the shootings were confronted by Clark wielding a shotgun in a stairway. Officers fired at Clark but he fled to a parking lot. As officers again approached Clark he reached for a handgun and officers opened fire, killing Clark.

Source: "Last victim ID'd from Federal Way apartment shooting," *The News Tribune*, April 30, 2013; "Man killed live-in girlfriend, 3 others in Washington apartment shooting, police say," *Associated Press*, April 22, 2013.

## Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dinh Bowman

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** August 31, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On August 31, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Dinh Bowman, 29, allegedly pulled his silver BMW Z4 convertible alongside the vehicle of Yancy Noll, 43, at a stoplight and fired five shots from a 9mm handgun at Noll, hitting him three times in the head, killing him. Bowman then reportedly sped away. An anonymous tipster lead police to Bowman, and eventually they located his car, which he had worked on to disguise following the incident. According to press reports, detectives also found a “gun room” where “Bowman had set up a sort of laboratory dedicated to his obsession with guns.” Bowman was charged with first degree murder.

**UPDATE:** In December 2014, Dinh Bowman was found guilty of first degree murder in the death of Yancy Noll. On January 2, 2015, Bowman was sentenced to 350 months in prison plus 36 months community custody when he is released.

Source: “Murderer learns fate for North Seattle ‘thrill killing’,” *kirotv.com*, January 2, 2015; “First-degree murder charged in shooting of Seattle wine steward,” *The Seattle Times*, September 26, 2012.; *Certification for Determination of Probable Cause*, Seattle Police Department.

## Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ian Stawicki

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** May 30, 2012

**People Killed:** 6 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** At approximately 11:00 AM on May 30, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Ian Stawicki, 40, opened fire at Café Racer in Seattle's University District, killing four of the restaurant's patrons. Stawicki had been banned from the Café as the result of past behavior and was reminded of that when he returned that morning.

According to a news report quoting a Café employee who was the only person shot who survived, "It was clear...that Stawicki wanted everyone dead, shooting the victims once and `then he double-tapped everyone.'" Stawicki, armed with two 45 caliber handguns, then left the restaurant and 30 minutes after the shooting confronted Gloria Leonidas, a mother of two. Stawicki fatally shot Leonidas and stole her Mercedes SUV. The vehicle was eventually found abandoned by police, with a gun on the seat. While searching the area law enforcement came upon Stawicki, who, when ordered to drop his weapon, put the gun to his head and fatally shot himself. Stawicki had suffered from mental illness for years. His family, fearing for his deteriorating mental condition, tried unsuccessfully to have his carry permit revoked. Said his father, "The response to us was, there's nothing we can do, he's not a threat to himself or others, or we haven't had a report of it, or we haven't had to pick him up—call us when it's worse. And now it's too late—much worse now, six people are dead."

Source: "Survivor of Café Racer massacre speaks about shooting," *mynorthwest.com*, June 12, 2012; "Seattle gun massacre hero reveals he vowed to 'never hide under the table' after brother died in 9/11," *The Daily Mail*, June 1, 2012; "Seattle Café Shooter Kills 5, and Himself After Citywide Manhunt," *abcnews.go.com*, May 31, 2012; "Family: Seattle gunman had a concealed weapon permit," *komonews.com*, May 31, 2012.



## Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Eric Vita

### **UNINTENTIONAL**

**Date:** March 14, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 14, 2012, three-year-old Julio Segura-McIntosh fatally shot himself with a gun he found in his family's car when his family stopped for gas in Tacoma, Washington. When the family stopped to get gas just after midnight, Julio's mother, Jahnisha McIntosh, 23, put her boyfriend's 9mm pistol under the seat and went into the convenience store, leaving their son and daughter in the car. Her boyfriend, Eric Vita, 22, has a concealed weapons permit. The boy climbed out of his car seat, found the gun, and shot himself in the head. The girl was not injured. Detectives originally ruled the shooting accidental. "You can't predict what children are going to do," noted Tacoma police Officer Naveed Benjamin. "You need to unload and lock it up if you're not carrying it....It's really not that hard to practice firearm safety."

**UPDATE:** On March 28, 2012, Eric Vita, 22, and Jahnisha McIntosh, 23, were charged with second-degree manslaughter in the death of three-year-old Julio Segura-McIntosh. According to prosecutors, Julio unbuckled himself from the back seat and climbed to the front to ask his mother for candy. She then moved the handgun from under the passenger seat to under the driver's seat to prevent Julio from reaching it. She then went into the convenience store leaving Julio in the car where he found the gun and shot himself in the head. Detectives were told that Vita routinely showed off the gun which was equipped with a laser sight and once offered to let Julio hold it before another adult intervened.

**UPDATE:** On November 18, 2013, Jahnisha McIntosh pled guilty to second degree manslaughter in the death of Julio Segura-McIntosh. She was sentenced to time served. In July 2013, the manslaughter charge against Eric Vita was dismissed.

Source: "Tacoma woman pleads guilty in son's death, gets no prison time," *The News Tribune*, November 18, 2013; "Jahnisha McIntosh Charged with Manslaughter After Son, 3, Shot Himself With Found Gun," *The Huffington Post*, March 28, 2012; "3-year-old boy in Wash. kills self with gun in car," *Associated Press*, March 14, 2012.

## Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Cornelius J. De Jong IV

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** February 12, 2012

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On February 12, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Cornelius J. De Jong IV, 21, allegedly shot Claire Thompson, 20, in the neck with a 40 caliber pistol and killed her. Both De Jong and Thompson were attending a party early in the morning when De Jong fired the handgun, which he thought was unloaded. The bullet traveled through a wall and hit Thompson who was standing on the other side of the wall. De Jong, who had past convictions for driving under the influence and minor in possession of alcohol, was charged with first-degree manslaughter with bail set at \$300,000. One neighbor told the press that the house where the party was held was “constantly a source of police activity....It’s a very sad house and a source of neighborhood concern.”

**UPDATE:** On September 17, 2012, Cornelius De Jong IV pleaded guilty to second-degree manslaughter in the killing of Claire Thompson. He was sentenced to 27 months in prison.

Source: “Redmond man pleads guilty in woman’s shooting death,” *Redmond Reporter*, September 21, 2012; “Redmond man charged in connection with fatal shooting on Education Hill,” *Redmond-Reporter*, February 14, 2012.

## Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ty Takaezu

### **SUICIDE**

**Date:** May 8, 2011

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On May 8, 2011, Kara M. Leonard, 31, was target shooting on Mother's Day with concealed handgun permit holder Ty Takaezu, when at some point during the activity Leonard used Takaezu's handgun to commit suicide, shooting herself in the head. Leonard, the daughter of a Portland city commissioner, was recovering from long-time heroin addiction and left behind a 12-year-old son.

Source: "Daughter of city commissioner dies from gunshot wound," *KATU News*, May 8, 2011.

## Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Amanda Knight

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** April 28, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On April 28, 2010, Amanda Knight, 21, was part of a group of four criminals who took part in a home-invasion robbery that resulted in the death of James Sanders, 43. Sanders was shot and killed after Knight and three others came to his home purportedly to purchase a ring that had been advertised on Craigslist. During the robbery, Sanders' wife was tied up and one of his sons was pistol-whipped. Knight and her accomplices were also suspects in a prior home-invasion robbery. According to press reports, Sanders' widow, Charlene, "felt chills" when she saw Knight in court, stating, "I remember that face when I was zip-tied on the floor, looking up at her." Knight, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with first-degree murder, first-degree robbery, and second-degree assault.

**UPDATE:** In April 2011, Amanda Knight was found guilty of first-degree murder in the killing of James Sanders. She was also found guilty of robbery and assault. On May 13, 2011, she was sentenced to more than 71 years in prison for her crimes.

Source: "Woman gets 71-year prison term for Craigslist killing," *www.komonews.com*, May 13, 2011; "4<sup>th</sup> Edgewood suspect ID'd," *The News Tribune*, May 6, 2010; "Craigslist Murder Suspects Arrested in Bay Area," *www.ktvu.com*, May 5, 2010.

## Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Keira S. Earhart

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** November 16, 2009

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 16, 2009, Keira S. Earhart allegedly shot and killed Ryan A. Rzechula following a burglary at Earhart's home. Earhart called 911 to report a burglary at his home after being alerted to the break-in on a call to his cell phone from his home alarm service. After rushing home, he saw a man running out, and gave chase. A few hours later, Earhart again called 911 and told deputies he was looking for the burglar and spotted a man who looked like him. He claimed he yelled at the man who then took off across a field. Deputies were unable to locate the man. A witness later said he saw a man with a gun and heard him yell, "Stop," at another man, who ran away. The witness reported hearing two gunshots. Two days later a neighbor called 911 to report finding Rzechula's body in a creek bed near where the shots were heard on Monday. Rzechula had jewelry in his pocket that matched what had been taken from Earhart's home. Earhart, who had a concealed weapons permit, was arrested and charged with second degree murder.

**UPDATE:** In July 2011, Keira Earhart was found guilty of second-degree murder in the killing of Ryan Rzechula. Prosecutors asked for an 18-year prison term, but on August 24, 2011, the judge in the case said the more appropriate punishment would be a sentence more typical for manslaughter and sentenced Earhart to 12 years in prison.

Source: "Arlington man who fatally shot burglar gets 12 years for murder," *Heraldnet.com*, August 25, 2011; "Victim of alleged burglary now a suspect in killing," *Heraldnet.com*, November 20, 2009.

## Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Richard Peters

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** November 16, 2008

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On November 16, 2008, six-year-old Stormy Peters was accidentally shot and killed by her father, concealed handgun permit holder Richard Peters, while he was cleaning his guns with her and drinking double shots of vodka. According to news reports, Peters was at home with his wife when he sent Stormy upstairs to retrieve his Colt Double Eagle 45 caliber handgun from his night stand. Peters told investigators that he had drunk several double vodkas when one of the guns discharged, striking his daughter in the head. Peters told deputies that he had been in the military, was “very proficient” with firearms, and that all of his children handled weapons. After the fatal shooting, Child Protective Services removed Peters’ two other children, ages three and eight, from the home. Peters, 42, was charged with first degree manslaughter with a deadly weapon.

**UPDATE:** In November 2009, Richard Peters was convicted of first-degree manslaughter in the shooting death of his six-year-old daughter Stormy. He could face more than 13 years in prison at sentencing.

Source: “Marysville man convicted of manslaughter in shooting death of 6-year-old daughter,” *pnwlocalnews.com*, November 24, 2009; “Marysville man charged in fatal shooting of 6-year-old daughter,” *Daily Herald*, November 19, 2008; “Marysville man held in shooting of daughter, 6,” *Seattle Times*, November 18, 2008.

## Washington, DC

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Aaron Alexis

### **SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT**

**Date:** September 16, 2013

**People Killed:** 13 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On September 16, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Aaron Alexis, 34, shot and killed 12 people at an office building at the Navy Yard in Washington, DC. Alexis entered the building with a Remington 870 shotgun hidden in his backpack. At around 8:15 AM, Alexis emerged from a men's room on the fourth floor of the building and began firing indiscriminately, killing 12 workers. By 8:34 AM, Alexis was involved in a firefight with as many as seven teams of law enforcement officers. Alexis was able to use a fourth floor balcony wall as concealment as he fired his shotgun from the balcony down through the building's atrium. While police at one point thought there may have been more than one shooter, Alexis acted alone and was killed by police at approximately 10:13 AM. Alexis purchased his Remington 870 shotgun and two boxes of shells from Sharpshooters Small Arms Range in Newington, Virginia just two days before the shooting. Alexis had a concealed carry permit from Texas and had previously held one issued in the state of Washington.

Source: "Inside Sharpshooters, the Newington gun store where Aaron Alexis bought his shotgun," *The Washington Post*, September 18, 2013; "Navy Yard shooter Aaron Alexis carved an indiscriminate path through Building 197," *The Washington Post*, September 17, 2013; "Officials: Navy Yard shooter ID'ed as Aaron Alexis," *Associated Press*, September 16, 2013; "Alleged Navy Yard Killer A Former Reservist, Authorities Say," *npr.org*, September 16, 2013; "Navy Yard killer shot out tires in Seattle in 2004," *The Seattle Times*, September 16, 2013.

## West Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Micah Eden LeMaster

**PENDING**

**Date:** March 18, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On March 18, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Micah Eden LeMaster, 37, allegedly shot and killed Joshua Martin, 21, following an encounter on the street outside LeMaster's home at 3:20 AM. According to police, the two men did not know one another. LeMaster allegedly shot Martin multiple times with a handgun. LeMaster possessed a valid concealed carry permit which he obtained in 2008 and renewed in 2013. LeMaster was charged with murder.

Source: "Man arrested in Enslow killing," *The Herald-Dispatch*, March 18, 2015.



## West Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** John Ferrell

**PENDING**

**Date:** January 6, 2015

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 6, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder John Ferrell, 32, allegedly shot and killed Cody Austin Perry, 25 following a confrontation outside their parked vehicles. On the night of the shooting, Ferrell's wife called him to report that a "suspicious" vehicle was parked at the end of their driveway. Ferrell left his job and came home to investigate. Perry was in the car with his fiancée Ashton Akers, and they agreed to move their car when approached by Ferrell. Ferrell was returning to work when he noticed the car again, parked on an adjacent road. According to Ferrell, he parked his car about 40 feet away and waited before Perry moved his car closer to Ferrell. According to Ferrell, Perry exited his vehicle and approached Ferrell who also got out of his car. Ferrell allegedly shot Perry in the face with a 45 caliber handgun at close range. Ferrell claims he acted in self defense. Prosecutors plan to present the case to a grand jury in March 2015, with the grand jury to decide what charges will be filed against Ferrell.

Source: "Grand jury to decide if Wayne County shooting was self-defense," *The Charleston Gazette*, January 15, 2015; "Grand jury may decide on homicide charges," *The Herald-Dispatch*, January 8, 2015; "One dead in Wayne County shooting," *The Herald-Dispatch*, January 7, 2015.

## West Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Barry Allen Stewart and Kimberly Ann Stines  
**SUICIDE**

**Date:** September 3, 2013

**People Killed:** 2 (including shooter)

**Circumstances:** On September 3, 2013, concealed handgun permit holders Barry Allen Stewart, 31 and Kimberly Ann Stines, 34, were found dead from apparent gunshot wounds in Stewart's home. The firearm believed to be used in the shootings was found in the home, but the identity of the shooter was not reported. Stewart and Stines were married in January 2010 and divorced in October of the same year though Stines continued to live at the residence from time to time. Stines filed a domestic violence petition against Stewart which was dismissed for lack of evidence in March 2013.

Source: "Family shocked by couple's deaths," *herald-dispatch.com*, September 6, 2013; "Two dead in domestic shooting," *herald-dispatch.com*, September 3, 2013; "Domestic violence suspected after 2 found dead near Huntington," *Charleston Daily Mail*, September 3, 2013.

## West Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Christopher Wayne Bowling

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** January 31, 2010

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On January 31, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Christopher Wayne Bowling, 38, allegedly shot and killed his wife Tresa with a handgun. In court testimony, the couple's 10-year-old daughter, who was "just feet away" when her mother was shot and killed, testified to a history of domestic abuse in the home. Bowling maintained that the shooting was accidental and had occurred on a "good day between the two." According to his friend, State Trooper Mark Painter, "He made the statement that he had wanted to kill her a thousand times before but not this day." Bowling was charged with first-degree murder.

**UPDATE:** On October 31, 2011, Christopher Wayne Bowling was sentenced to life in prison for the shooting of his wife Tresa. Bowling was convicted of first degree murder and an additional charge of using a firearm in committing the crime.

Source: "Judge affirms life sentence for Bowling," *Register-Herald.com*, November 1, 2011; "Daughter testifies in murder trial," *Register-Herald.com*, May 6, 2011.

## Wisconsin

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Do Thao

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** July 25, 2014

**People Killed:** 2

**Circumstances:** On July 25, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Do Thao, 23, allegedly shot and killed Beelee Chang and Jack Yang while they were seated in a vehicle. Chang was shot in the back of the head and died at the scene, while Yang was shot twice in the back of his neck and once in the shoulder and died at a hospital two days later. After the shooting, the car Chang and Yang were in traveled forward and collided with a building. Police officers responding to the shooting found Thao hiding in the bushes nearby. According to police, Thao told officers, “I had to do it, they ain’t right.” Thao later told officers that he had been drinking beer on the night of the shooting and “did not remember what happened.” He told officers that “he did have his CCW permit with him.” Thao was charged with two counts of first-degree intentional homicide and use of a dangerous weapon. He faces up to life in prison if convicted.

**UPDATE:** On May 1, 2015, Do Thao was sentenced to 42 years in prison and 18 years probation for the murders of Bee Lee Chang and Jack Yang.

Source: “Concealed Carry Permitholder Sentenced to 42 Years for Double Milwaukee Homicide,” *mediamilwaukee.com*, May 3, 2015; “Milwaukee man accused of shooting, killing two people near 51<sup>st</sup> and Lisbon,” *fox6now.com*, July 28, 2014.

## Wisconsin

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Phillip K. Green

**CONVICTED**

**Date:** May 25, 2013

**People Killed:** 1

**Circumstances:** On May 25, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Phillip K. Green, 40, shot Ernest Banks, 26, in the face with his 40 caliber handgun, killing him. Green, Banks, and two other men had met earlier that evening at one bar, drove together to another, and then planned to go to a strip club. When Green said that he didn't want to go to the strip club and instead wished to be dropped off at his car, Banks took offense. He stopped the car the four men were traveling in, pulled Green from the back seat, and began hitting him. During the attack, Green pulled his handgun and shot Banks. Green, who had obtained his concealed carry permit a few months earlier, then called police. In his closing argument, the Assistant District Attorney stated that Green "wasn't protecting his life, he was firing back in anger" and that he had used lethal force in what was clearly a "fist fight." When asked why he had a gun that night, Green said that he always carried it with him when he was alone. When it was pointed out that he had not been alone that night, Green said that he had left his handgun in his car when the group had met at the first bar, but that when they left together he took the gun with him, fearing it might be stolen from his vehicle. Green was found guilty of first-degree reckless homicide while armed with a deadly weapon and faces a sentence of up to 45 years.

Source: "Jury convicts Milwaukee concealed-carry permit holder in fatal shooting," *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, January 8, 2014.