



*Gina Perry*

My children were killed by a multiple DWI offender who had a blood alcohol count of .23. This man was imprisoned on charges of murder and through plea agreement signed for 50 years. The morning after my children were killed, I was blessed to be contacted by MADD and knew that I had support right away. I had heard about MADD for a long time, but had no personal contact with the organization until this happened. Without MADD, friends and co-fighters, I would not be able to get through my daily battle. My hopes are someday to say my children sacrificed their lives so the world would be a better place to live.

Through my MADD chapter, I have support from people whom I now call my friends. They are there for me whenever I need them, with a shoulder to cry on, offering books for coping and an avenue to direct this pain. My friends at MADD assist in my endeavor to help prevent as many of these senseless crashes from happening.

I am very thankful for MADD. Dawn at the West Texas MADD office is absolutely wonderful.