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and throughout the early 1980s, the ruthless so-called "Bounty Hunter" street gang and their affiliated roadthugs, most of who lived in the Nicholson Garden's housing project, in the city and county of Los Angeles, California, were assaulting, robbing and terrorizing wayfaring travelers, Motorist and the Residents in the vicinity of my parents' (Mom/Pop) grocery store and video arcade; located at the corner of Imperial Hwy., and Slater street. My parents, JAMES and ELSIE HAWKINS lived within fifty-yards of the store/arcade at 11609 South Slater street, Los Angeles, California. The Home wherein I and 12 of my 14 siblings grew-up.

The senior gang members would walk into the crossing-walkway to stop the flow of the East/West Imperial Hwy., vehicle traffic and it was during these pedestrian traffic stops when the junior members and affiliates would either walk or run between the stopped vehicles employing rocks or hammers to smash-out the passenger-side window or reach into an open window to plunder women's purses or other valuables; assaulting any Victim who dared to resist.

My father, JAMES HENRY HAWKINS was a gallant obliging man, a loving responsible father and honest hard working law-abiding American; who chose not to be a passive bystander and oftentimes lonehandedly intervened to prevent the almost "daily" pussilaneous victimizations, and rescuing or shelting the victims of the gang while awaiting the arrival of the police investigators.

Two weeks prior to the "climatic" event of Sunday, "11th September 1983" my dad had conceded to the Los Angeles Police Dept., permission to conceal a video camera in a window of the then vacant apartment above the store/arcade so to identify the methods and the

individuals responsible for the assaults.

The so-called concealed camera, captured filmage of several violent street robberies/assaults which was featured in the evening television news stations throughout Los Angeles County; also making the location and position of the camera obvious to anyone observing the filmage.

I did my own minor auto or motorcycly repair work and stored my tools in my 1965 Ford recreational vehicle (272YLO) of which I stored on a vacant lot adjacent to the home of my parents because of unavailable space at my own home at 1455 W. 93th street, Los Angeles, Ca., 90049; wherein I lived together with my exwife, Helen, and two (Euridyce and James III) of my four children.

Early Sunday morning of the 11th September I had traveled out to my parents' home driving my wife's 1974 Toyota, which needed its tires rotated. During the tire rotation I heard the voice of my dad: Alas! "hey you boys leave that there woman and kids alone - -turn them their 'bikes loose."

Three (3) males and one (1) female had stopped and encircled a woman (DORIS HAMILTON) and her five (5) children all straddling their bicycles.

I promptly put down my tire-iron and repeated my dad's command to release the besetted travelers' bicycles which were being held by the three teen males and walked toward the disturbance.

The males released the besetted family and begin cursing my dad and me while separating into pairs. The lone female (Porscha [Doe]) ran across Imperial Hwy., back into the cover of the housing project, with (John Switcher) one of the males following. The remaining two Attwon Thomas and Malcolm Horton, instead, entered the video arcade against my dad's protest advising that