



Maybe They Should Kill Me Now?

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The Truth is... I have been sentenced to a term of imprisonment that is equivalent to life without the possibility of parole (LWOP). While it may be plausible to assume that I will still be alive for my first parole eligibility hearing in 2052, not too many, if any, life insurance companies are willing to put their money on it. Further, let's remember 2052 is the year that I become "eligible" for parole, that by no means guarantees my freedom.

My issue is how and why I receive so much time, so long of a sentence? Murder only carries a term of 25 years to life, I was originally sentenced to 96 years to life (later modified to 55 years to life), however I did not kill anybody nor even physically injure anyone, so how or why did I receive over double the amount of time prescribed as punishment for murderers? I received more time than Mark Jernigan, Gene Flack, Charles Manson and the guy who committed the Norway Massacre, and again I didn't even hurt anybody. Is this fair, is it logical? "Society must question whether the broad scale imposition of such penalties has resulted in the use of life in prison in ways that too often represent ineffective and inhumane public policy."

The Truth is... Maybe they should kill me now? Put me in that old gas chamber and allow me

to inhale myself into a peaceful sleep. why not? My long sentence basically means that no matter how much I've matured, I'm not going to be permitted the opportunity to show that I have changed just as much, if not more than other lifers and that I no longer pose an unreasonable risk to public safety. Therefore absent a change in law or pardon, myself and others in like circumstances will not leave prison except in a frigid, stiff and lifeless fashion.

So yes it would seem more logical to kill me now. Kill me now and spend half of the \$44,000 a year they claim it cost to warehouse me on my children being able to receive a great education and have a stable residence to live in, transportation to get from point A to point B. \$44,000 for my remaining time I have to serve before I'm eligible for parole (37 years) would total \$1,628,000, half of that would be \$814,000. Nearly a million dollars.

The Truth is... I am in no way suicidal, however I am already systematically deceased. I have not seen anyone in my family or anyone I know from free society in five years, I have not seen my own mother in 10 years, and I rarely ever hear from anyone. I have no right to have children or spend the weekend with my family due to my life sentence. I'm prohibited from owning my own business to provide for myself and or my family while in prison. It's even a violation of regulations to engage in consensual sexual relations with a woman while in prison. I'm not allowed to drink smoke or play the lotto, have anything with real sugar, fresh or dried fruit,

Starburst, Now and Laters, Hot Tamales or Jolly Ranchers. I can't even go online nor have a cell phone. Just based on the fact I can't text anybody my daughters will agree that I'm synonomously dead

So why not kill me now? I can have a pretty elaborate funeral with half of \$44,000, in fact they can purchase a Crypt that looks just like a prison cell, for safety and security. Just in case.

The Truth is... California is wasting the tax payers money on persons they plan to let die in prison anyway. Last November's statistics listed 34,000 inmates serving life sentences in Californias prisons, and a three judge panel is deliberating an 100,000 inmate cap. what will the state do when there are 100,000 lifers in California prisons, many of who killed no one? America, we must wake up and get "reasonable" on crime.