

Support SF 4312 (SAFE GUN STORAGE)

Dear senate Judiciary Committee: Please consider my testimony supporting SF 4312.

In the late 1960s in southern Minnesota, in Faribault county, I was a very little child living on my family's farm. My neighbor boy up the road, Denny, while just innocently teasing with gunplay, accidentally shot and killed one of several neighbor girls who had walked the mile from their farm to visit him. The rest of the group were sprayed with shot by luckily survived. Denny was just a kid, as they all were, yet Denny had access to an unsecured loaded gun.

One became my babysitter, who'd show me the lumps in her arm where the shot remained. Denny went on to live a full life but one of unknown heartache and suffering.

Today, we're smarter about keeping our guns safely stored away and empty, or we should be. Let's do our best to help every citizen get educated and responsible for the Dennies and their young friends by passing SF 4312.

I thank you for your consideration and your hard work.

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