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PS3 Ronald A. Gill, Jr. Makes a Difference

Have I been living life to the fullest? Am I pursuing my dreams in the best manner I can? How can such an innocent, valuable, and happy life be taken away from us? These are only a few questions that come to mind with the read of a synopsis describing Ronald A. Gill's short, yet well-lived life. Although I am only familiar with him via his background stories and concise biographies, the nature of his life has made much more of an impact on mine than any significant amount of people I personally know have. It could easily be put that he made a positive difference in many lives, but that statement would not do him the well-deserved justice. No, no combination or amount of words could compare to the life he lead, dreams he pursued, or sacrifice he made.

While it is truly a tragedy that a life like Ronald A. Gill's was lost, I believe he should be remembered with a feeling of pride and respect, rather than sorrow. I honestly feel lifted up with a sense of ambition and courage, for I know that if I can harness even a fraction of the energy and work-ethic that he possessed, I can follow my life's dreams the right way, and succeed. He has inspired me to continue on the right track, and live life as he did by seizing the day, living in the moment, and making every day, hour, and minute count. Additionally, Ronald fought for the preservation of freedom, as well as the liberty and justice of our country. I feel so grateful and safe that he served our country, and his remembrance in our hearts will further protect us.

There are innumerable positive lessons and attitudes people will walk away with after familiarizing themselves with Ronald Gill's life. I myself have discovered just some that come to heart and mind. I now know that it is so important to take each opportunity, openly, as they

come. Now that I have been exposed to the story of a man with a heart of gold, and the courage of a lion, I whole-heartedly hope that his daughter learns, and knows everyday what a great being her father was. Although it is more than unfortunate that she was not given the opportunity to know him, she is blessed with Ronald A. Gill being apart of her. His daughter, as well as many others, including myself, will honor him by keeping his positivity, loving attitude, and strength alive.

If selected to receive a scholarship in his honor, I vow to strive for excellence with every ounce of my ambition and perseverance just as he had. As I attend the University of Rhode Island's College of Pharmacy, I will know that by pursuing my pharmaceutical aspirations, I am fulfilling his dream of serving the country. I am also aware now of how fortunate I am, and how my opportunity to pursue a higher education is priceless. The chance that the PS3 Ronald A. Gill Jr. Memorial Scholarship Foundation gives to students who need the helping financial hand, is astounding, which is why I am privilege to be apart of my school's student council that collaborated to raise money for this cause. In any event, thank you Ronald A. Gill for your service, precedence, and noble example for others to hopefully follow.