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2-year-old baby Ty Doohen, who was beaten to death

Sports media is in an uproar about the horrific murder of Ty Doohen, Vikings’ running back Adrian Peterson’s two-year-old son. Unfortunately, they’ve got the angle all wrong. This is not a story about a father’s loss and brave return to the field. It is a story of a sick culture, of a man who reportedly didn’t even know he had fathered a son until three months ago and never looked on Ty’s face until the boy was in a hospital bed, dying.

It’s a story of the woman who birthed this child. Ann "Ashley" Doohen reportedly had the child tested for paternity and the results came as a surprise to her. She thought the child was her ex-boyfriend’s (not current boyfriend and alleged assailant Joseph Patterson). This makes three men Doohen was (allegedly) having sex within a relatively short time period. She was not married to any of them.

This is a story of a woman who left her baby in the care of a person who had a criminal record of child abuse that anyone with $30 and a computer could have uncovered. But most importantly, this is a story of a child with no father, with no hero and no advocate to protect and shield him from the evil around him.

Ann "Ashley" Doohen

Children suffer cruelly when a society devalues traditional families by accepting any combination of idiocy, accepting any moral standard and throwing out any sense of what is good for children. It isn’t a lone, once-in-a-while incident to be swept under the rug, talked of as “tragic” and then forgotten. It is an epidemic that is subjecting children to abuse and death, but if you speak out about it, you’re a hater, prejudiced against single mothers and a jerk. But staying silent only gags the victims who are suffering. It’s too late for Ty, but perhaps someone out there might hear this story and rethink her lifestyle and save her innocent child from the same fate.

Single mothers who date casually and bring men who are not the fathers of their children into their family are subjecting their children to an almost certain abusive situation. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (whose website is currently not working due to the government shutdown) has reported these clear warnings in regards to single-parenting (which I managed to pull off another site not affected by executive branch bullying):

Children living with their married biological parents universally had the lowest rate, whereas those living with a single parent who had a cohabiting partner in the household had the highest rate in all maltreatment categories. Compared to children living with married biological parents, those whose single parent had a live-in partner had more than 8 times the rate of maltreatment overall, over 10 times the rate of abuse, and nearly 8 times the rate of neglect.

Ten times the rate of abuse. Ten times more likely to be hit in the head with a lead pipe. Ten times more likely to be hurt, abused, hit, beaten, and yet I am supposed to bow down in front of the altar of single mothers and pay tribute to them as heroes to women? Forget it.

Peterson recklessly and carelessly spread his seed in women he isn’t married to, thus subjecting any offspring to a much higher chance of being abused or killed (Ty isn’t his only child out of wedlock). Peterson and Doohen should be the poster-people we hold up as an
example of why the Baby Mama/Baby Daddy culture is terrible for children and should be castigated for what it is. Criminal.

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