

*It has been almost a year since our boy, Gage, was stolen from us when a NPS law enforcement ranger shot and killed him. A year without our son, brother, grandson, best friend and so much more. A year full of anger, emptiness, and constant heartache. We are beyond disappointed that there has been no action by the Federal government, nor any accountability assigned for the violation of our son's constitutional rights. 26 seconds of body camera footage are still "missing" and our son has yet to receive the justice he deserves. Not a word from the National Park Service - no condolences, no sorry for your loss...nothing but silence. There is a saying, "Silence is golden" but in our case it seems clear "Silence is death."*

*Gage's family and friends have spent a year contacting representatives, writing letters, and gaining support from those positioned to bring Gage justice; a year of never giving up and always finding the strength to face another day; and, yes, a year of discovering how deep the corruption truly runs and how outraged society would be if they paid close attention to all the "unjust" law enforcement killings taking place across our country.*

*We will continue to seek positive change in memory of Gage. We are firm believers in our law enforcement officers who protect and serve. We believe in public service and guardians of justice. The "shoot first - qualified immunity later" mentality needs to be replaced by the ethos "no one is above the law and no one is below the law." A reverence for the value of human life needs to be restored. Our son was an outstanding young man who lost his life much too soon. We will continue with our journey for justice for Gage. He would want us to protect any other family from having to endure the nightmare that we all have. That was his nature - so caring; compassionate; and always looking out for others - we will make him proud.*