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A Look Into Umpqua Community College Hero Chris Mintz

The Man Who Confronted UCC Gunman

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USPA NEWS - Last Thursday (October 1, 2015), a single gunman went on a deadly shooting spree on the campus of Umpqua Community College in Roseburg, OR, claiming the lives of nine people and leaving seven more injured. One of the injured was 30 year old Chris Mintz, an Army veteran, who confronted the shooter.

Confronting The Shooter

30 year old Chris Mintz, an Army veteran, was at Umpqua Community College on October 1, 2015, when the shooting started. He then selflessly confronted the shooter, and thought of other students, when he, according to CNN News, "...tried to block the door to keep the gunman out, he was shot several times" Mintz was shot an estimated seven times by the shooter.

Background

Mintz, who is a ten year Army veteran, is originally from Randleman, North Carolina, a small town with a population of just over 4,100 people (SOURCE: 2010 U.S. Census) and is located "...minutes from Greater Greensboro..." (SOURCE: Official City of Randleman Website).

He, according to NBC News, had just started studying at UCC when the shooting occurred. According to his family, Mintz had trained in Mixed Martial Arts programs, and "...was on the wrestling team...."

Condition

After being shot seven times in the back, abdomen, and hands, and after breaking both of his legs (cause of breaks are still unknown as of this time), he was transported to Mercy Medical Center in Roseburg, OR, where he had surgery, and remained in the hospital for nearly a week until his release on Wednesday, October 7, 2015. According to family, Mintz is in stable condition, and will "...have to learn to walk again...."

Future and Beyond

Mintz will have to learn how to walk again, according to his family. A cousin of Mintz set up a GoFundMe page for Mintz the day after the shooting, where, as of the time of this article's writing (October 8), had raised a total of $792,665.00 since October 2, when the original goal was $10,000.00. According to GoFundMe, the $792,665.00 was raised by 23,680 people in only six days.

For those who wish to help Mintz, visit his GoFundMe page by visiting www.gofundme.com/s75ge9y4.

For USPA 24 and The Huffman Report, I'm Jacob Huffman. Thanks for reading.

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