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A Year After Girl, 9, Accidentally Killed Gun Instructor, His Children Campaign to Stop Kids Using Guns



A year ago, [Charles Vacca](#)'s children lost their father in an unthinkable tragedy when a nine-year-old girl accidentally shot him dead.

Now they are telling the world that they forgive the young girl as they fight for a law to ban children from using machine guns.

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Vacca, a father-of-four and weapons instructor from Lake Havasu, Arizona, was fatally shot in the head last August when a nine-year-old student taking a lesson lost control of a powerful Uzi machine gun.

One of his sons, Christopher, 12, told INSIDE EDITION: "If I could say one thing to her, I think I would say: 'Not to worry about it.'"

Elizabeth, 16, added: "I don't think there is anything to forgive. She didn't do anything wrong."

The mishap involving their father was caught on cell phone camera.

Initially, you hear the instructor congratulate the little girl after a single shot. A moment later the weapon was fired again and recoiled with a single bullet hitting the 39-year-old.

The four Vacca children impressed everyone when they made a video just about two weeks later forgiving the young girl, whose name is being withheld because of her age.

They have now launched a campaign to ban machine gun use by kids with the petition is called "[We Have A Voice.](#)"

In the video, Charles' children make a plea for change.

Christopher said: "It's legal for kids my age and younger to shoot Uzis. That hasn't changed."

Elizabeth said: "Laws say that children can't drink, can't drive, can't vote. But they can shoot fully automatic assault weapons. That hasn't changed."

Taylor, 15, said: "The adults haven't been able to keep people safe, so it's time for us to speak up."

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Elizabeth added: "It calls for people to sign it and basically saying that children should not be allowed to use machine guns. I don't see anything unreasonable about nine or ten-year-old kids not be able to shoot machine guns."

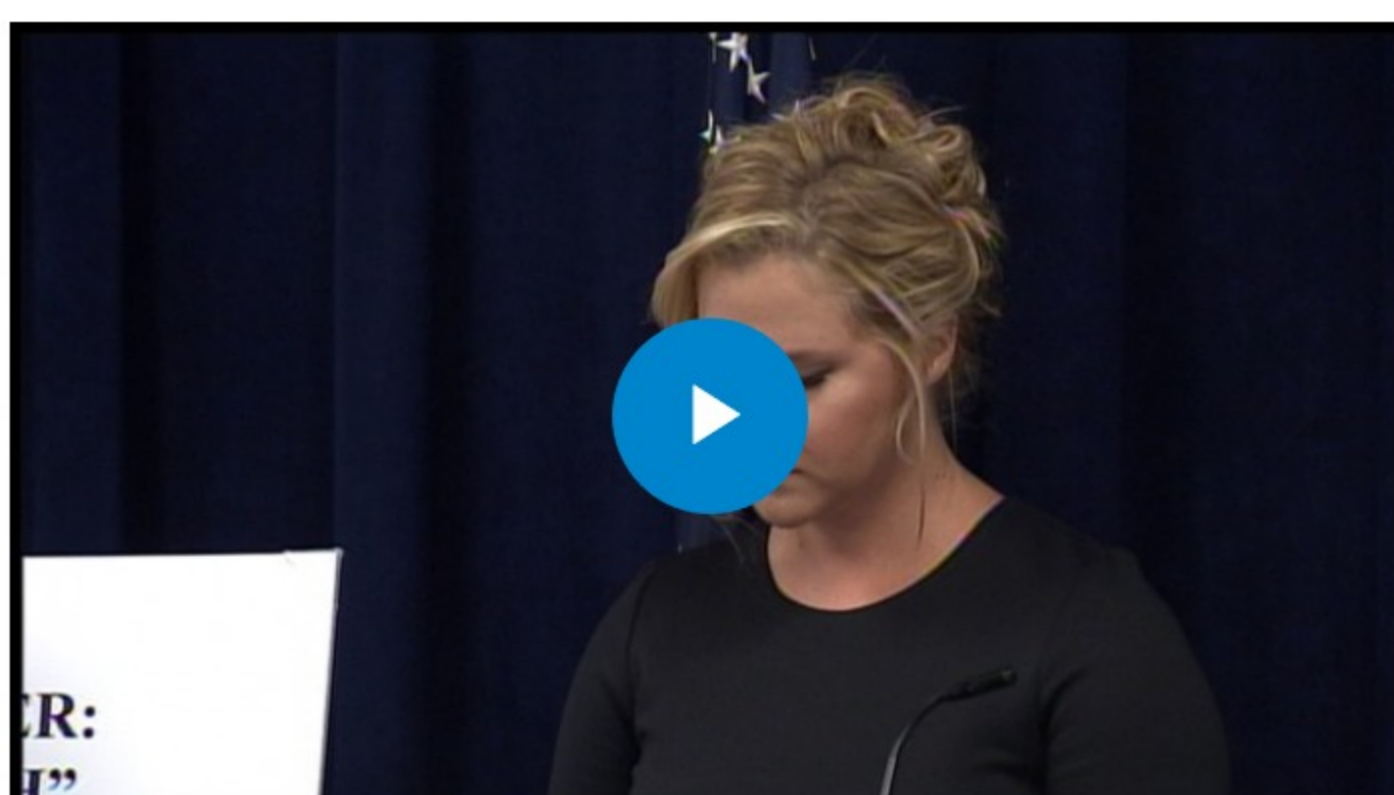
Lawyers James Goodnow and Mark Lamber are advising the family in the campaign.

Lamber said: "We want to change the law. The kids believe that little children like them, eight-year-olds and nine-year-olds should not be shooting an Uzi."

"They don't want to take on the NRA," said Goodnow.

Their hope is something positive will come from such a tragic and untimely death.

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