

ARRIVE ALIVE

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Imagine being a father, whilst having the parental instinct to protect your daughter at all costs; having that stripped away from you in just moments.

Charles Mauer and his daughter, were driving home from the Monticello library one afternoon and unfortunately had no knowledge that this would be their last trip. With senseless behavior, a Minnesota teenager ran a red light as she was distracted by being on her cell phone and collided with Mauer and his ten year old daughter. The collision was fatal and the teenager was charged with criminal vehicular homicide.

This is something that shouldn't happen as too many lives have been lost due to the carelessness of reckless and distracted drivers. These are lives that will never again enjoy their favorite things, continue their education or even work towards the goals they held.

Tragedies such as these take away from the community of which is occurs. It affects families, friends, and even of those who perpetrated the crimes. In this circumstance, a seventeen year old girl will not be able to go to her dream school, get a decent job or even just attend her senior prom.

What we can say as a society is, any time you are on the road, everything can be taken away in only moments. There is a cautiousness around driving

because accidents are all too often. Now, with that being said, it is also adamant to know that any time you are getting behind the wheel, you have the underlying potential to take everything away from another person. In all, we should all be caution while on the roads.