Terry Anne Greene, Massachusetts
Sister of Donald Freeman Greene, killed in Pennsylvania in 2001

Terry Greene’s brother Donald was a passenger aboard United Flight 93, which crashed in Shanksville, Pennsylvania on September 11, 2001, after passengers aborted attempts to reach Washington, DC. Zacarias Moussaoui, the only person tried in the United States in connection with the September 11th terrorist attacks, faced a possible death sentence but was ultimately sentenced in 2006 to life in prison without parole.

Terry is a member of the group September 11th Families for Peaceful Tomorrows, and has spoken publicly in connection with that group. As well, in 2007 she testified against a bill that would have reinstated the death penalty in Massachusetts.

"My obligation to my child and my brother’s children is to keep them safe. We cannot afford to enact measures that give the illusion of safety while doing nothing to deter killings. The death penalty has proven ineffective as a deterrent. It only promotes the acceptability of taking lives, a cycle which must instead be broken. We should not dishonor my brother by adopting the philosophy and means of his murderers and allowing them to become martyrs for their cause -- instead, we must show the strength and courage to maintain a more intelligent, civilized state."