

**SHANE TRUETT, Tennessee
Brother of Timothy Wynne,
murdered in Virginia in 1992**

Shane Truett's brother Timothy Christopher Wynne was murdered in 1992. Timothy was 24 years old and left behind two children, Kendal and Cameron Wynne. Timothy was shot to death and his murderer was convicted of 2nd degree murder and sentenced to 32 years in prison. Recently Timothy's murderer died in prison of a heart attack.

Shane works as a staff attorney at the Tennessee Justice Project, a nonprofit organization devoted to criminal justice reform with a specific emphasis on death penalty issues. He co-authored a *Nashville Bar Journal* article titled "Tennessee's Capital Punishment System: A Call for Reform," and he also co-authored a law review article about the inadequacy of defense representation in capital cases titled "Pretend Justice," which will be published in *the University of Memphis Law Review* in February of 2008. He works with the Tennessee Coalition to Abolish State Killing to speak out publicly against the death penalty.

"I oppose the death penalty because I believe it can never be fairly and constitutionally applied, it is imposed on the most vulnerable people in society: the marginalized, the mentally ill, and the poor, and most importantly it is an affront to the dignity of the law and the decency of an ordered society."

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