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I was born in Portland and lived Oregon my entire life and can't believe that a teenager who can't legally buy alcohol can purchase an automatic weapon.

My mother who died at 84 carried bits of a shell in her gut to her grave. She was nearly killed by her brother who was able to access a hunting rifle and accidentally shoot her. She was 8 years old.

When I was a child my uncle shot himself accidentally or on purpose we'll never know. My mother and grandparents devastated.

. My cousin accidentally shot and killed himself during and argument with his girlfriend. He was 21. His family was devastated.

Most recently my nephew shot himself after returning from Afghanistan. Devastating his mother and sister.

Making guns easier to obtain to my mind is nothing short of insane.