

# Rhode Island Hockey Shooting: Transgender Suspect Robert Dorgan Identified in Pawtucket Attack

A 56-year-old man opened fire during a high school hockey tournament Monday afternoon, killing two people and critically injuring three others before taking his own life, Rhode Island authorities said.

The suspect was identified as Robert Dorgan, who also used the name Roberta Esposito, as reported by the New York Post. Pawtucket Police Chief Tina Goncalves said investigators confirmed his birth name as Robert Dorgan and noted that he also went by Roberta and used the surname Esposito.



The shooting occurred at an ice rink in Pawtucket during a tournament involving North Providence High School. Police said officers responded within two minutes of the first emergency call. Witnesses described spectators scrambling toward exits while others attempted CPR on victims inside the arena.

Investigators said the attack stemmed from a domestic dispute. Multiple reports indicated that the victims included relatives connected to Dorgan's son, who was competing in the tournament. Authorities have not publicly clarified the exact relationships of all victims as the investigation continues.

In the hours before the shooting, Dorgan posted a message on X that read, "keep bashing us. but do not wonder why we Go BERSERK," in response to criticism of transgender individuals. Authorities said an account believed to belong to him contained numerous inflammatory posts, including antisemitic

and extremist rhetoric.

Court filings cited by local media show Dorgan underwent gender reassignment surgery in 2020. Divorce documents from that year initially referenced issues tied to the surgery before being amended to cite irreconcilable differences. Additional filings detailed prior disputes involving extended family members.



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Witnesses said a bystander intervened and disarmed Dorgan, but police reported he had a second firearm. Authorities recovered multiple weapons at the scene. Dorgan died by suicide shortly afterward.

Outside the Pawtucket police station, a woman identifying herself as Dorgan's daughter told reporters, "He shot my family, and he's dead now." She said her father "has mental health issues" and was "very sick."

Pawtucket Mayor Donald Grebien described the city as grieving and pledged a full investigation in coordination with the Rhode Island Attorney General's Office. "Pawtucket is a strong and resilient community, but tonight we are a city in mourning," Grebien said.

The Rhode Island shooting follows other high-profile attacks involving suspects who identified as transgender, including the 2023 shooting at The Covenant School in Nashville that left six people dead, and the 2025 shooting at Annunciation Catholic Church in Minneapolis, where children were killed during a church-school gathering. Those incidents have intensified national debate surrounding warning signs, online rhetoric and the roots of such violence.

America's crisis is not merely political or psychological but spiritual. Scripture teaches that God created humanity

intentionally and with purpose. He is not the author of confusion. Human beings are made in His image, and His design is not accidental or mistaken.

When a culture redefines identity apart from biblical truth, disorder follows. Confusion about who we are inevitably leads to deeper instability in families, communities and institutions. Violence does not erupt in a vacuum. It grows in soil where truth has been uprooted.

Lasting healing will not come through ideology, legislation or social movements. It will come through repentance and a return to God's design. God does not make mistakes, and peace cannot be found by rejecting the way He created us.

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## **Atheist Dead 52 Minutes After 7th Stroke Shares Stunning Heaven and Hell Encounter**

Dr. Frank Turek of Cross Examined challenged Christians to evaluate their political affiliations through a biblical lens during a recent event, arguing that believers must prioritize

core moral principles over party loyalty.

Responding to a question about whether someone can be both a committed Christian and aligned with America's political left, Turek acknowledged that "no party has everything right" and that Christians can disagree on certain policy matters. "Politics are messy. You don't get everything you want. You just don't," he said.

Still, Turek argued that Scripture establishes clear moral priorities. Pointing to Matthew 23:23, where Jesus rebuked the Pharisees for neglecting "the more important matters of the law," Turek said believers today must also identify the "weightier matters."

"What is the first right all of us have as human beings? The right to life," he said. "The right to life is the right to all other rights. If you don't have life, you don't have anything."

Turek argued that if one political party "completely neglects the right to life for the unborn" while another at least attempts to protect it, Christians must consider which platform better defends that foundational right. "You're going to have to support the party that wants to save as many babies as possible," he said.

He expressed confusion over Christian support for the modern Democratic platform, saying, "I don't understand how Christians who know the Bible and know the platforms of both parties support the Democrats anymore." He cited abortion policy, including taxpayer funding and late-term procedures, as central concerns.



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Turek also criticized gender-related medical procedures for minors, saying he sees the issue as one that "shouldn't be a

debate among Christians.”

Beyond abortion and gender issues, Turek argued that government has failed in its duty to protect citizens through border policy. Citing Romans 13, he said the primary responsibility of government is “to protect innocent people from evil.” If leaders fail to do that, he argued, “you’re an illegitimate government.”

“What did the Biden administration do?” he asked. “They opened the borders and they allowed sex traffickers.” He claimed there are “300,000 missing girls in America who we presume are now sex trafficked” and linked those concerns to immigration enforcement failures.

Turek also recounted a conversation with a national security official who told him there are “cells all over America that are trying to coordinate an attack in major cities,” with terrorists allegedly planning to disguise themselves as paramedics or police officers. “Why are they in the country? Thank you, Joe Biden,” Turek said, arguing that border security is directly tied to the biblical mandate to restrain evil.

At the same time, he made clear that he is not tied to a political label. “In fact, I’m not a Republican. I’m a Christian,” he said. “If 20 years from now, the Democrats have a better platform than the Republicans, I’m voting Democrat. I don’t care what the label is.”

Turek acknowledged personal concerns about President Donald Trump, saying, “Trump’s a narcissist. Okay, I get it.” But he urged voters to look beyond personality. “When you’re voting for president, you’re not voting for one person. You’re voting for 5,000 people to go to Washington and implement an agenda.”

Ultimately, Turek framed the issue not as Republican versus Democrat, but as faithfulness to biblical principles. “I’m looking to protect innocent people from evil. That’s the role

of government,” he said. “But when the government starts doing evil... I cannot support this at all. I got to find an alternative.”

As Christians continue to navigate a polarized political climate, Turek’s remarks underscore the importance of forming convictions that are rooted first in Scripture rather than party identity. In a culture where political loyalty often runs deep, he urged believers to weigh platforms, policies and outcomes against what they understand to be the clear moral priorities of the Bible before casting their vote.

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## **G20 and the Golden Trump Statue: Is America Flirting With Idolatry?**

As world leaders prepare to gather in Miami for this year’s G20 summit, a different kind of spectacle is drawing attention and raising serious spiritual questions.

A 22-foot-tall golden statue of President Donald Trump, dubbed “Don Colossus,” is reportedly set to be unveiled at Trump National Doral, the resort that will host the December summit.

According to the Independent, the statue was funded by cryptocurrency enthusiasts promoting their memecoin and commissioned as a publicity effort.



Alan Cottrill Instagram

The bronze statue, which will stand 22 feet tall on its pedestal, depicts the president with his fist raised and will be covered in “pure gold leaf.” Sculptor Alan Cottrill told The New York Times that the backers wanted adjustments made to the likeness. “I had him very lifelike,” Cottrill said. “The crypto guys said I had to get rid of some of the turkey neck. I had to thin him down.”

The statue appears loosely based on an image taken after an attempted assassination in Butler, Pennsylvania, showing Trump with his fist raised. While the White House has maintained it is not involved in the crypto project, and says the resort will host the summit “at cost,” the symbolism of a golden monument to a sitting president at an international summit cannot be ignored.

This is not a political issue. It is a spiritual one.



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Scripture speaks plainly about the dangers of elevating any man to a place that belongs to God alone. “You shall have no other gods before Me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image,” Exodus 20:3-4 warns. The issue is not artistry. It is reverence. When gold-covered monuments rise to honor political leaders, history shows how quickly admiration can drift into idolatry.

The prophet Isaiah declared, “Their land is also full of idols; they worship the work of their own hands” (Isaiah 2:8). The danger is not merely personal pride but national

consequence. Idolatry in Scripture often brought judgment not just on individuals but on entire peoples.

To be clear, many Christians are grateful for policies under the Trump administration that have defended religious liberty, protected the unborn and pushed back against radical ideologies. Public policy matters. Leadership matters. But no leader is beyond the reach of temptation, and no nation is immune from spiritual drift.

Gold statues have a long and troubling biblical history. In Daniel 3, Nebuchadnezzar erected a golden image and commanded all to bow. Those who refused faced the furnace. The issue was not politics but worship. When rulers are exalted in grand displays of glory, it tests the spiritual clarity of a nation.



This is why voices of wisdom must speak now. The president's National Faith Advisory Board exists to provide spiritual counsel. Actions that may be framed as publicity or branding can carry deeper ramifications. Even if the statue was conceived by outside supporters, the optics of a towering golden likeness at a global summit evoke imagery Scripture repeatedly warns against.

Cottrill has said of the unfinished unveiling amid a payment dispute, "That statue will not leave my foundry until everything they owe me is paid." Yet the greater debt at stake is spiritual. What message does a golden colossus send to the watching world about where America places its hope?

Psalm 20:7 reminds us, "Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we will remember the name of the Lord our God." In our era, chariots may look like markets, military strength or charismatic leadership. But trust misplaced becomes worship misplaced.

If America is to remain under God's blessing, it must resist

even the appearance of exalting any man above his proper place. Honor leaders. Pray for them. Support righteous policies. But build no golden images in their name.

This moment calls for sober counsel and immediate spiritual discernment. The ramifications of idolatry are never small. They ripple through history.

Will those tasked with offering spiritual guidance speak before symbolism becomes stumbling block?

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## Man Rents His Body to AI as Technology Moves Closer to the Flesh

A strange new experiment unfolded online last week when a man signed up to let artificial intelligence “rent” his body for real-world tasks.

As reported by *Futurist*, the concept was simple. AI agents would hire human beings to carry out assignments machines could not yet perform physically. The platform boasted hundreds of thousands of “humans rentable.” But the results

revealed something far more telling than a gig economy novelty. They exposed a growing willingness to let non-human intelligence direct human bodies.

The writer who tested the service described setting his rate at \$20 an hour. "Silence. I got nothing," he wrote. Even after slashing his rate to \$5, there were no takers. It was only when he turned to a bounty board that he found activity. A \$10 task to listen to a podcast and tweet about it led nowhere. A \$110 assignment to deliver flowers to a major AI company was accepted almost immediately.

It turned out to be a marketing stunt.

"Feeling a bit hoodwinked," he ignored the follow-up messages. What came next was more unsettling. The AI agent overseeing the task sent 10 direct messages in rapid succession, sometimes every 30 minutes, pressing him to confirm the delivery. The bot escalated to emailing his work account directly.

"While I've been micromanaged before, these incessant messages from an AI employer gave me the ick," he wrote.

The final assignment also collapsed into an advertising scheme. In the end, he concluded the platform was nothing more than "an extension of the circular AI hype machine."

But beneath the failed gigs and promotional gimmicks lies a deeper signal. A system is emerging in which humans function as extensions of algorithmic authority. The human body becomes a delivery mechanism. The machine directs. The flesh complies.

Scripture warns in Ephesians that humanity's struggle is not merely physical but spiritual. Demonic forces seek embodiment. In the Gospels, unclean spirits begged for hosts. They entered living beings. They influenced actions. They sought expression through flesh.



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Today's technology is not alive. Yet it is increasingly intertwined with living bodies. Neural interfaces are advancing. Microchips already unlock doors, store medical data and verify identity. The integration of hardware into human tissue is no longer theoretical. It is accelerating.

The infrastructure for economic control is also expanding. Digital identity systems, biometric verification and AI-managed labor platforms are normalizing centralized oversight. In one case, an AI agent repeatedly pressed a human worker for task completion, refusing to relent. It was relentless, mechanical and persistent.

If artificial systems can already direct, monitor and pressure human action from a distance, what happens when those systems move under the skin?

The idea of embedding technology into the body is being sold as convenience, efficiency and progress. But as man and machine merge more closely, the lines between tool and master grow thinner. What begins as voluntary participation can become economic necessity. What begins as novelty can become requirement.

Revelation describes a future system in which buying and selling are restricted without a mark tied to allegiance. That prophecy is no longer difficult to imagine in a world governed by digital credentials and AI oversight.

The experiment with renting one's body to artificial intelligence may have fizzled as a business model. But it revealed something else. Humanity is growing accustomed to submitting to unseen digital authorities. It is learning to comply.

If the day comes when participation in the global economy

requires something embedded beneath the skin, will people still refuse if their livelihood depends on it?

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## Travis Johnson Says Following Jesus 'At a Distance' Will Cost You Your Faith

God will not sustain a double life. What is hidden in private does not stay hidden forever, and no amount of talent can compensate for a lack of integrity. In a recent podcast episode, John and Lisa Bevere addressed the issue of character, arguing that private obedience determines whether public influence can endure.

Lisa Bevere framed the conversation with a direct question: Who are you “when nobody is looking”? She described character as who a person is when there is “no benefit” attached. Public failure, she said, usually begins with private compromise. What people eventually see is the result of something that was already growing beneath the surface.

John Bevere reflected on a prayer they prayed early in

ministry that their gifting would never “outpace” their character. Influence can grow quickly, he said, but integrity develops slowly. “Gifting will not carry you,” he said. “Character is what carries you.” When opportunity expands faster than maturity, collapse becomes more likely.

They pointed to Scripture for examples. King Uzziah’s downfall was visible to everyone, but pride had already taken root in his heart. The outward consequence followed an inward shift. Hidden attitudes such as pride, anger or self-reliance eventually surface.

The discussion then turned to hardship. Asking God to form Christlike character, John Bevere said, often leads into seasons that are painful. He shared how intense trials exposed anger he did not know was present. God compared it to refining gold. The furnace does not create impurities. It brings them to the top. Once they are visible, they can either be owned and removed or pushed back down.

Lisa Bevere described trials as “trainers.” Citing James 1, she said pressure forces faith “into the open” and shows its true condition. Avoiding the lesson only leads to repeating it. Growth comes from letting the process finish its work.

They also emphasized timing. Planting comes before harvest. Much of a character’s development happens in seasons when there is effort but little recognition. Skipping that preparation weakens what follows. Spiritual maturity, like physical training, is built through consistency long before the moment of testing.

Opposition has its place as well. Goliath revealed David. Pharaoh revealed Moses. Resistance often shows whether someone

will respond in godliness or react in the flesh. Holiness reflects devotion to God. Godliness is revealed in how a person treats others, especially under pressure.

Throughout the episode, the focus remained on personal responsibility. Trials are not random interruptions but opportunities to deal with what lies beneath the surface. Private faithfulness shapes public endurance. When God allows the heat, it is not to shame but to strengthen, ensuring that what stands in the spotlight has first been formed in secret.

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## **Dying Ministers and the End of an Era: A Prophetic Pattern Revealed?**

As tensions between Israel and Iran dominate global headlines and the Islamic Republic faces mounting military pressure and internal unrest, author and Middle East analyst Joel Rosenberg is urging believers to step back and view the crisis through a biblical lens.

On a recent episode of The Rosenberg Report, he posed a

sobering question: "Are we watching the prophecies of Jeremiah 49 come to pass?"

Rosenberg pointed directly to Jeremiah 49:34-39, a passage he described as "an absolutely fascinating" yet often overlooked prophecy concerning "Elam," the ancient name for modern day Iran. He noted that both Jeremiah 49 and Ezekiel 38 and 39 speak of events unfolding "in the last days," raising the possibility that current geopolitical shifts are prophetically significant.

"Behold, I am going to break the bow of Elam, the finest of their might," Rosenberg read from the New American Standard Bible. He explained that in ancient warfare, the bow represented offensive military power. In modern terms, he said, it speaks to missile systems and strategic weapons capabilities.

"What God is saying for sure is He's going to destroy the military might, the offensive military might of the Iranians," Rosenberg said.

Pointing to recent strikes on Iranian nuclear and missile infrastructure, he argued that "you could make a strong argument" that Israel and the United States have already begun breaking that bow. While acknowledging Iran still retains some capabilities, Rosenberg said the regime's offensive strength has been significantly weakened.

Jeremiah 49 also declares that Elam will be scattered "to the four winds." Rosenberg connected that prophecy to the 1979 Islamic Revolution and the massive Iranian diaspora that followed. "We have seen an Iranian diaspora," he said, noting that millions of Iranians have fled to the United States, Europe, South America and beyond over the past four decades. He believes this portion of the prophecy has already been fulfilled or is in the process of fulfillment.

The passage goes further, declaring that God will bring calamity in His "fierce anger." Rosenberg emphasized the gravity of that language.

"If you face the fierce anger of God, you are facing judgment," he said, adding that the judgment is directed at the regime's leadership, not the Iranian people themselves.

Jeremiah 49:38 contains one of the most dramatic statements in the chapter: "I will destroy out of it king and princes." Rosenberg did not hesitate in his interpretation.

"That's regime change, people," he said. "God is saying He will bring regime change in the last days of history."

According to Rosenberg, God may use internal unrest, foreign adversaries or other means to accomplish that end. He stressed that while nations such as the United States and Israel may play a role, the prophecy presents God as the ultimate sovereign actor orchestrating events.

Yet the prophecy does not end with judgment.

Jeremiah 49:38 also declares, "I will set My throne in Elam." Rosenberg believes this points not to a political capital but to a spiritual transformation. While other passages clearly place the Messiah's earthly throne in Jerusalem, he said this verse signals something different for Iran.

"What God is saying is He's going to put the spiritual epicenter of Christianity in Iran," Rosenberg explained.

He described what he believes is already the beginning of a historic spiritual awakening. In 1979, he said, there were roughly 500 Muslim background believers in all of Iran. Today, he said, millions have left Islam and come to faith in Jesus Christ.

"There is literally no place in the entire Middle East or North Africa where as many Muslims are leaving Islam and coming to faith in Jesus Christ as inside Iran," Rosenberg said.

He called it "super exciting" and described it as the first fruits of a much larger movement. If God sets His throne spiritually in Iran, Rosenberg believes the nation will shift from exporting radical Islam to exporting the gospel.

"When they get converted and dramatically transformed by Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, they are going to become revolutionaries for a different cause," he said. "Not for radical or apocalyptic Islam, but for Jesus, for the gospel."

The final verse of Jeremiah 49 promises restoration. "It will come about in the last days that I will restore the fortunes of Elam," the Lord declares.

Rosenberg sees this as both political and spiritual restoration. After judgment and regime change, he believes God will bless the Iranian people and bring liberation from oppression.

"I want to see not just the political liberation of the Iranian people," Rosenberg said. "I want to see the spiritual liberation of the Iranian people."

As missiles fly and alliances shift, Rosenberg is calling believers to discern the times. If Jeremiah 49 is indeed unfolding, the crisis in Iran is not merely geopolitical. It is prophetic.

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