

My two granddaughters, Jillian and Lindsay, were killed unnecessarily by a fire that should never have happened. Thinking they could trust the company that assured them this home was safe for vacationing, they spent their summer vacation before returning to college. Because the owners did not comply with the town law, and rewired their home incorrectly, and because they neglected to insert inexpensive smoke detectors, the girls were killed. The entire family was traumatized and their parents will never see weddings or grandchildren.....all over pure greed and negligence on the part of the home owners, and the town looking the other way instead of making sure they had a permit to do the wiring, and the company to save money, did not require proof from the homeowners that all was in order for a safe visit. This should have never happened. The law ensuring that renters can be assured of safety when the rental company tells them the property has been properly vetted should be a requirement. Certain wounds do not heal. This is such a case and the grief was entirely preventable. Please pass the law that will ensure that this does not happen again.

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