

Open Letter Regarding Kevin Vargovich's Bulletin Board Posting

Kevin Vargovich (Connie Vargovich's brother) has posted a message on the *freemyfather.com* Bulletin Board. We told Don Miller what Kevin wrote to us, and the following is what Don wrote on February 23, 2007 in response to Kevin's statement:

Hi everyone. Before I respond to Kevin's statement, I just have to wonder when exactly did Kevin begin caring about his sister Connie? When Connie and I were together, Kevin did not seem to care about anyone other than himself, and he was very mean to Connie. Before Connie moved into my home, she often called me from her mother's house (where she lived with Kevin) and would be crying her eyes out telling me that Kevin had either "beat her up" or was otherwise "being very mean" to her. I would go and pick her up or go over there for a 'visit'. Connie was nothing but very nice to Kevin, and I have seen her many times give money to Kevin just so that he would leave her alone. When Kevin ran out of money, he would start tormenting Connie again until she would give him more money, and then he would go away. Kevin also knocked Connie to the floor on at least one occasion that I am aware of.

One late evening, Connie called me to the Vargovich home and asked me to stay the night because Kevin had terrorized his mother. Police were called and Connie's mother, Charlene, was glad I stayed because she was *very* afraid of what Kevin might do when he returned. So I stayed all night to protect Connie and her mom. Kevin did not return that night. I also received an e-mail from an ex-neighbor of Kevin, Billi-Jo H. (I'll keep her last name private), who wrote that Kevin (and Connie) had repeatedly beaten her up. Kevin also up with some very ugly names he would call Connie on a regular basis, names I will not repeat here. To sum it up, Connie took a *lot* of abuse from Kevin. Therefore, I am glad to see his attempt to defend his sister now; or could it be that maybe because the community is not very fond of the Vargovich name due to the facts and evidence published on this website so Kevin is just trying to take some heat off his own name? Only Kevin knows the answer. But I hope he wrote what he did only because he has finally learned to love his sister, Connie. So here is my response to the statement Kevin posted on the website:

1.) **Kevin said:** "Connie is not the skank we say she is." Kevin where did I call Connie a 'skank' anywhere on the website? Answer: nowhere. I am not calling Connie a 'skank', I am calling her a liar and false accuser, and everyone knows that is true. So do you, Kevin. The community is so very angry and disgusted with Connie for her rape lies, that I am still in prison, and because she is doing nothing (so far) to help me. So if the public thinks she is a 'skank' or calls her that, please realize I have no control over that. I can only hope that people will not resort to name calling. The purpose of the website is not to degrade Connie or hurt her in any way. It is to present the truth and a huge amount of evidence that proves beyond doubt that Connie falsely accused me of rape and other crimes.

2.) **Kevin said:** "None of this would ever have happened if I had not pointed a gun at her nine years ago." Well, Kevin, did *you* see me point a gun at Connie's head? No, you didn't. Maybe you should read all documentation on the website to learn that Connie's first attempt to have me arrested had failed. She then escalated her story. Only after failing to obtain my arrest did she now claim that I had pointed a "red laser-sighted pistol" at her. She also claimed that she "could see the red dot." Kevin, you have been to my house *many* times so know I had no gun with a "red-laser sight" or any that could emit or project any lights, red or otherwise. Police in 2-states searched my home, vehicles, and business for a gun to match her story. But guess what? There weren't any such guns. After police failed to find any such gun, Connie tried to save her credibility so now claimed that she was "not so sure about the red-laser part" of her story. But, her red-laser sighted gun claim was *the* reason that the police had arrested me in the first place!

But that's not all, because in one story Connie claimed I pointed a red-laser sighted gun at her "from a foot or two away." This later changed to a story that I held a red-laser sighted gun "to her forehead", and that story also changed later to a claim that I held a red-laser sighted gun "right to my *right* temple" while facing her, This is all on record. Connie simply couldn't tell the same story twice. Also, think about this, Kevin: I'm *right*-handed (Connie admitted this at trial). So if I face you and hold a gun to your right temple, the gun would be in my *left* hand. Right handed people don't hold guns in their left hand. A right handed person would hold a gun to your *left* temple. Connie simply forgot to consider this when making up her red-laser-gun story. There was no such gun. The only "red light" device I had in my entire home was a small red-light *flashlight* I used at night outside whenever looking at stars and planets with my telescope. Either Connie suffers from hallucinations of "red-laser sighted guns" and sees "red dots", or, she was simply lying ... and it really doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out that she lied.

3.) **Kevin said:** "It's a shame that this is still going on after nine-years." I couldn't AGREE more, Kevin!! This shouldn't have happened in the first place, and it did only because Connie wanted to get revenge on me for my asking her to move out of my house. I did that not because I didn't love her or care about her, but because she had been cheating on me; and you know this is true. Now, nine and a half years later, Connie *still* shows no heart, conscience, or concern at all for the *horrible* damage and ongoing suffering she has inflicted upon me, my son, and family with her rape lies. Does she care that I have to re-live this nightmare every single day until she becomes woman enough to help me. WHAT kind of person can live with herself for over nine long years knowing the horrific damage her rape **lies** caused the one man who truly cared about her and her son. And WHAT kind of person can **continue** to inflict that suffering on myself, son, and family every single day by choosing to not come forward and admit there was no rape, false imprisonment, or 'red laser guns'? Yes, Kevin, I agree. It really and truly *is* a SHAME ... a crying shame, that this is "still going on." And Connie should be ashamed of herself enough to start acting like a human being by coming forward with the truth and getting this fiasco over with. The entire community knows Connie has falsely accused me. And so do you, Kevin.

By the way, Kevin, have you read any documents on the website? If so, then you know that Connie has already confessed that "I did nothing wrong to her", and the person she confessed to has sworn out an affidavit under penalty of law as to what Connie said. Connie would have confessed even further if your sister Heather did not yank her away and say, "Come on Connie, let's go, you're hanging yourself." I also have NO doubt, Kevin, that Connie has also admitted to you that she falsely accused me. In fact, her friends even say she has *bragged* about it. Be an upright and honest man, Kevin: just admit it.

4.) **Kevin said:** A judge and jury wouldn't put Don in prison if he was innocent. Well, Kevin, have you ever read a newspaper? Innocent people do go to prison, most because of false accusations in a courtroom. Kevin, have you seen proof on the website that Connie was sexually involved with the judge who put me in prison? This was his 'favor' to her. Your sister boldly lied in that courtroom only because she knew she could get away with anything in his courtroom, because she was involved with that drunk, Judge Madden, who had been screwing around with Connie for years, even behind my back. Yes, we have lots of witnesses, including Connie's friends. Judge Madden also did her 'favors' even before my trial and I have other evidence of their relationship that I sent to state-federal law enforcement. Get the picture, Kevin? I was railroaded by a judge sexually involved with your sister. We also have lots of evidence I cannot yet disclose. Connie lied. The judge allowed her to do it. But now for some good news. Thousands of people are now demanding justice for me and this case now has the attention of state & federal prosecutors. Judge Madden is in BIG trouble. And if Connie doesn't do an immediate turn around and confess that I never forced sex on her, never held her against her will, never pointed any "red-laser sighted gun" at her, then she too is in BIG trouble. Is she smart enough to save herself? The only way is to confess, demand my release, and tell all she knows about crooked Judge Madden and DA Lipkse before it is too late. Maybe it already is.

Kevin, you *know* Connie lied. If you are still in denial, then please explain why certified Ameritech phone records prove Connie did falsify police reports, lied under oath at a prelim hearing, and prove that her lies at trial went on for more than 6-pages of the transcripts. Even DA Lipske doesn't deny this. A special prosecutor has found that Connie did lie at trial. And how do you explain the documented fact that Connie has never told the same story twice and now has 6-different stories on record? Why did she confess my innocence to a bartender, and others? Look at her police reports and see how she actually *denied* 'rape', but then *changed* that denial after Deputy Robinson refused to arrest me. She changed her story to obtain my arrest. What about the others she accused of rape? I have a pile of e-mails from people who have been accused by Connie, or know someone who was, and that includes at least three other accusations of rape. How about all the claims she made against Kim Aijala where she said that he beat her and bruised her, "pointed guns a shotgun at her head", and shot arrows at her from a bow?

But we're not done yet. What do you say about Connie claiming I assaulted her "from midnight until 4am" but certified phone records prove she was *in Hurley at 4am* calling me from the Citgo pay phones?

It is now proven that she couldn't even have been home until *after* 4am? How about Connie's multiple criminal convictions for lying to police? How about her friends telling us that they know her to be very violent and a pathological liar, or how everyone --and I mean *everyone*-- is disgusted with what she has done and that she hasn't yet set this straight. How about asking your sister Michelle about the fact that she came to my house the morning of my arrest, knocked at my door, was invited in by me, then spent 10-minutes inside while we wrapped up pizza she left there the night before and hauled her big cooler out to her truck. Guess what, Kevin? Connie did falsely testify that I was 'assaulting her' when Michelle came over and knocked, and testified that I yelled to Michelle to 'go away' and that an assault then continued. But Michelle knows this is false. Michelle spoke to me face to face. Why hasn't Michelle come forward about this? I also know Michelle told DA Lipske the truth, but DA Lipske let Connie lie anyways. My God, Kevin, Connie is so caught in her lies that there is no use in denying it any longer. The whole town knows she lied. By not coming forward right now, she is making things *so* much worse for herself.

No one is fooled anymore, Kevin. Connie is caught in her web of deceit, and this matter will not EVER go away until she either comes forward with the truth to help me, or is locked up in prison. She won't go to prison for confessing and helping but will for not confessing and helping. Mark my words. This matter is heating up day by day, and more and more people are demanding that something be done. But there are only two possible solutions: either Connie tells the truth and helps get me home, OR, she will be prosecuted on state-federal criminal charges. This matter is now far too big, far too well known, and the evidence against her far too highly stacked for her to get away with this now. **It's over**. She just doesn't seem to know it yet. So Kevin, *if you really do* care about Connie, and I hope you do, then you should urge her to come forward now. And I mean *now*. If she won't do the right thing for myself or family, then she must do the right thing for herself. Does she have the sense to save herself? We'll see.

By the way, did you know that a few months after this website started that DA Lipske called the prison to seek punishment against me? He claimed that Connie told him that I had been calling her to threaten and harass her. But prison officials checked all the prison phone records, all phone recordings, and found that the only person I ever call is my mom once a week. When a news reporter confronted DA Lipske about this, DA Lipske told her that "Connie lied." So if you really think Connie doesn't falsely accuse me, then how do you explain that Kevin? By the way, that matter has also been turned over to high level state-federal prosecutors. So, your statement on my son's Bulletin Board fools no one, Kevin. Good try, though. The evidence of Connie's lies and false accusations is overwhelming. Connie needs to get this over with by coming forward and working with my attorney and investigators. She has their phone numbers or can get them from me. They are very good people who will look out for her, too.

Now that I responded to Kevin's statements, I have a few other things I'd like to say. First, I realize Kevin must stick up for Connie, but he knows she falsely accused me.

He even told this to his prior girlfriend. Because of Connie's well known propensity to lie, Kevin himself coined a nickname for her: "The Con" (he had other vulgar names). I know that the website has a lot of negative information and evidence against Connie. But that material is factual and I can't change facts. I also realize there is not much *good* information about Connie. So to be entirely fair and honest, I will say that yes, Connie does (or did then) have good qualities, too, and it was those good qualities that attracted me to her in the first place. I also admit that I loved her. And even after all she has done to me, I wish her no harm to this very day, and she knows that this is the type of person I am. She knows I'm not revengeful or hateful. But this doesn't mean I have forgiven her. I cannot do that until she personally begins working to undo the horror she inflicted -and continues inflicting- on myself and family with her rape lies and ongoing failure to come forward with the truth. She must confess that I am in prison (with a 42-year sentence) for a rape that never happened. Kevin, she can put this all behind her right now by simply admitting it. Otherwise, this matter will continue growing and escalating day by day.

To be fair, I'll share some other information: I really cared about Connie. I get my joy in life by helping others and got much from helping Connie in any way I could. That's what made *me* happy. She had lots of health problems due to excessive drinking and smoking so I brought her to my physician and friend, Dr. Albert, and asked him to do all he can for her. I cooked most of her meals at home, bought her special vitamins, tried hard to get her off the bar stools and into the fresh air. We'd take motorcycle rides, go fishing or on trips, shop together, restaurants, etc. We had some good times. I also liked Connie's family. That includes Kevin. I especially like Connie's son, Joshua, a really smart boy who had quite the sense of humor. He knew how to tug on your heart strings. But he seemed neglected and underweight (Connie called him 'stick boy'); couldn't tell the time on a clock; was picked on at school; and though his Uncle Kevin treated him very good, Josh clearly needed a father figure. I stepped right up to that plate. I took Josh under my wing, got him a library card (he likes books about wolves), I taught him to use my computer and bought him software, taught him to read a clock, fixed up his bike, took him fishing anytime I could get away from work, and was able to get him to eat so well that he began putting on weight and was even able to stop his medications.

On his 11th birthday, Josh and I went to Subway, had a sandwich, then crossed the highway over to the K-Mart so he could spend his birthday money I gave him. I'll never forget what happened next. As we crossed the highway Josh took my hand. After we crossed, I opened my hand to let go but he gripped my hand tightly, pulled my arm, then said "Hey Don, I want to tell you something." So I stopped and said, "What Josh?" He said, "Know what I think? I really think you should marry Connie." When he said that, I got a lump in my throat, and something must have gotten into my eyes because they became a bit watery. I knew that what Josh was really saying is that he wanted *me* to be his dad ... and I'll never forget that as long as I live. I seem to have that same throat and eye problem right now while writing this. Yes, Josh was my pal. I know he is about 20 now, so I truly hope he is doing just fine. He is a good kid. I hope that he looks after his mom. When Connie was moving out of my home that day of my arrest, Josh told her he wanted to stay with me. All I could say to him was: "you have to go with your mom, Josh." Boy, did it ever hurt to say that to him.

I loved to be with Connie and know that she loved me (in her own way), but only when she was sober. When sober, she was a great person. That is the person I loved. But when she had a few beers in her (too often), she wasn't the same person but would become mean, hateful and do anything she could think of to hurt my feelings. I had tolerance to such treatment because I lived 17-years with a woman who did all she could to ruin me (during which 17-years she admits I never pointed a gun at her, raped her, or ever held her against her will). But when Connie began cheating on me, I couldn't deal with that but did give her another chance. But she only cheated on me again 2-weeks later. So how can Connie blame *me* for asking her to move out? Do I really deserve *this*? She didn't have to do this and could have talked me into staying. I'm a pushover. Anyway, back to good points. When not drunk, she was very fun, considerate, and we had a lot of laughs. I helped her study for a work certification, and she worked very hard. I always drove her to work, picked her up each day, took care of Josh much of that time, ran my busy business, cooked, cleaned, did laundry, etc. I put a lot of effort into our relationship.

You know, I always felt sorry for Connie in so many ways and wanted to help her so much. She had such a bad drinking problem. It was ruining her. I tried so very hard to get away from alcohol, and her mom even warned me to 'be careful' trying that. I also felt terrible for Connie because certain members of her family preyed on her for her hard-earned money. They constantly "borrowed" her money and almost never paid her back. When she turned her back I've seen them in her purse stealing more of it. I hated that. Connie often sat and cried after working so hard and then handing most of her money to family members who needed it. But she did it out of love. Certain family members took advantage of her kindness. I also "borrowed" money to Kevin, was glad to help him, and was never repaid. I cared about them all. A lot. I really did like the Vargovich's. All of them.

I used to often go to their house for coffee and have supper there. They were always welcome in my home. Kevin and I went out on the town a few times, and I took him fishing with Connie and I several times. Everything was fine until Connie would drink. Then she turned into a combination of Satan and a Tasmanian Devil ... as you can tell from her police records, witness statements, affidavits, and e-mails we receive from her friends. Bottom line is that everyone has good qualities. And I believe the entire Vargovich family knows Connie falsely accused me. But which one has a heart? I'm waiting to see.

If Kevin *truly* cares about Connie -not just worried about clearing his name- then he should be very concerned and help her not destroy her life by sitting by and doing nothing in this matter. The entire community knows Connie has lied, and the one thing I can GUARANTEE absolutely is that this matter is not going away, no sir, until Connie either comes forward to help me (and thereby helps herself), or state and federal prosecutors grab her. My mom has Parkinson's disease, my dad just had open heart surgery, my son has been without his dad for over 9-years, and I have been living in hell because of Connie's lies. So yes, Kevin. It truly is a shame this is still going on after nine years. A *crying* shame.