



Support the Lieutenant Osvaldo Albarati Correctional Officer Self-Protection Act

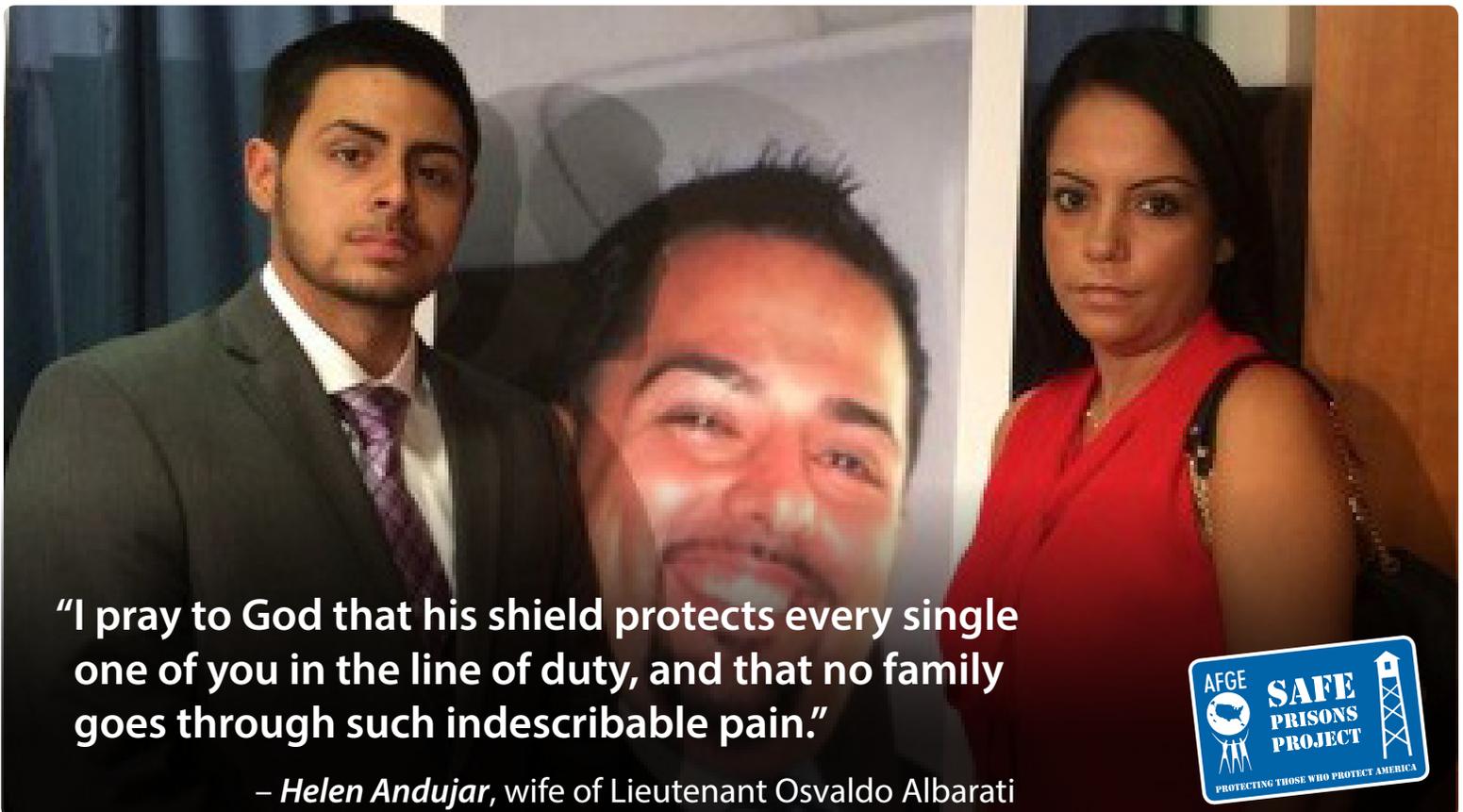
After work on the evening of February 26, 2013, Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP) Lieutenant Osvaldo Albarati was savagely ambushed and murdered. The shooting was carried out with assistance from federal inmates housed at MDC Guaynabo, Puerto Rico. Authorities believe that Lieutenant Albarati's murder was a direct result of his work at the prison. Sadly, due to existing Bureau policy Lieutenant Albarati had no firearm available to protect himself because BOP has failed to provide safe, secure gun lockers for staff.

We ask that you make sure this tragedy doesn't happen again by supporting the Lieutenant Osvaldo Albarati Correctional Officer Self-Protection Act (H.R. 613). This bipartisan bill would:

- **Direct BOP to provide a secure storage area located outside the secure perimeter for correctional officers to store their personal firearms**
- **Allow employees to store firearms in a vehicle lockbox approved by BOP**

The Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act, P.L. 108-277, gives certain law enforcement officers, including certain correctional officers of the Bureau of Prisons, the right to carry a concealed firearm in all 50 States for self-protection. While current law allows law enforcement officers to protect themselves in an off-duty status to carry their firearms, the Federal Bureau of Prisons does not allow correctional officers to safely secure their personal firearms in secured locker space at its institutions. This leaves correctional workers vulnerable to attack commuting to and from work like Lieutenant Osvaldo Albarati.

Please cosponsor H.R. 613



"I pray to God that his shield protects every single one of you in the line of duty, and that no family goes through such indescribable pain."

– Helen Andujar, wife of Lieutenant Osvaldo Albarati

