

Living a truth

A quote attributed to me that closes the March 8 article on Brandon Teena ["Heartland Homicide"] implies that Brandon "lied." Brandon Teena did not lie when he passed as a man; he was truthfully living out his gender identity. My point was that the media and local authorities, in attempting to deny any bias motivation to the crimes, have claimed retaliation for his supposed duplicity. The statement "It's because she lied. They didn't like it, so they killed her" was an imitation of the Richardson County attorney's absurd claim.

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