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Death Penalty Is Preferable to Life Imprisonment

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It was Sunday night, Nov. 1, 1987. Seventeen-year-old Romano had gone to bed. His mother, Bett

After two calls to his daughter's house, Frederick J. Romano headed to the newlywed couple's W

Frederick A. Romano remembers his mother's panic-filled voice as she talked to his father, of

"But he knew she was dead," Frederick A. Romano said.... Yes, Frederick A. Romano-who prefers

The Pain of Victims' Relatives

"It's caused a lot of emotional problems for me and my mom and dad," Fred said. "They're on so

That is a suffering death penalty opponents can't or won't understand. The pain of homicide vi

Death penalty opponents would have us believe that squirreling Oken away in a cell-where Frede

Justice but No Closure

Capital punishment foes figure that's justice. Here's what death penalty advocates feel is jus

That's what it's about for Fred Romano. He doesn't buy into the closure argument some death pe

"It won't bring closure," Fred Romano said. "Dawn will never be back. I'm not looking for clos

Not About Revenge

This isn't even about revenge, another rallying cry of the anti-capital punishment crowd, who

"It's justice," Fred Romano said. "It's not revenge."

His wife, Vicki Romano, agreed, then elaborated.

"Revenge would be going out and killing one of [the murderer's] family members," Vicki Romano

Fred Romano believes the man who's supposed to uphold that law, Maryland Attorney General J. J

Fred Romano called Curran after the announcement, to give the attorney general a piece of his

Curran, Fred Romano said, asked him if he had a problem with a sentence of life without parole

"My problem with it is that 10 years from now some other idiot will come along and say life wi
In Maryland's bleeding-heart liberal legislature, that's exactly what would happen.

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