

two lodged into the two trailers Micalizio's car had been parked between, a third glanced off the hood and landed in the woods somewhere. The three residents who had been outside just seconds earlier hid behind one of the trailers, Ramsey said. They'd been standing between them when the deputies arrived.

"Officers are trained to be aware of the background," Ramsey told the CN&R when asked about firing a weapon toward innocent bystanders. "Sometimes things happen such that it's a calculated risk that they take."

Micalizio was shot five times near the spine, an autopsy—performed by the Sacramento County coroner—revealed.

After getting the news of Micalizio's killing last year, Abrew and her husband, Greg, immediately hired a private investigator. He's still on the case, and they hope to have the car independently examined in the coming days. The family also hired an attorney and have filed a civil wrongful death lawsuit. Because of that, Sheriff Kory Honea declined to comment on specifics of the case.

Micalizio's brother Tommy Widener, who attended the press conference, questions the integrity of the witnesses, whom he believes were coerced. Abrew thinks her sister was merely trying to leave, fearing the deputy and his gun pointed at her, and believes less lethal means should have been used, or that the deputies could have simply moved out of the way.

Ramsey countered that the law says an officer "is not required to retreat ... he or she is entitled to stand his or her ground and defend himself or herself ... this is so even if safety could have [been] achieved by retreating."

"We are not a cop-hating family," Abrew said. In fact, two of her sons are police officers. "It's not about the money. It's about holding them accountable."

"During her 56 years of life, Myra has never, ever, ever been hateful. She never wished ill on anyone."

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