# The Tree of Life Synagogue Shooting and the Soul of a Neighborhood

In the wake of the deadliest anti-Semitic attack in American history, a community struggles to heal and make sense of the senseless violence. The Tree of Life Synagogue Shooting and the Soul of a Neighborhood is a powerful and moving account of the shooting and its aftermath, told through the voices of the survivors, the families of the victims, and the first responders.



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On October 27, 2018, a gunman opened fire inside the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, killing 11 people and injuring seven others. The victims were all members of the Jewish community, and the shooting was motivated by anti-Semitism.

The Tree of Life Synagogue Shooting and the Soul of a Neighborhood tells the story of the shooting and its aftermath through the eyes of those who were there. We hear from the survivors, who recount the horror of the attack and the long road to recovery. We hear from the families of the victims, who share their grief and their memories of their loved ones. And we hear from the first responders, who describe the challenges of responding to such a horrific event.

The Tree of Life Synagogue Shooting and the Soul of a Neighborhood is a powerful and moving account of a senseless act of violence. But it is also a story of hope and resilience. In the face of tragedy, the community of Pittsburgh came together to support one another and to rebuild their lives.

The book is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the impact of hate crimes and the importance of community. It is a reminder that even in the darkest of times, hope can prevail.

#### **Reviews**

"The Tree of Life Synagogue Shooting and the Soul of a Neighborhood is a powerful and moving account of the deadliest anti-Semitic attack in American history. Through the voices of the survivors, the families of the victims, and the first responders, we learn about the horror of that day and the long road to recovery. This book is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the impact of hate crimes and the importance of community."

#### - The New York Times

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#### - The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

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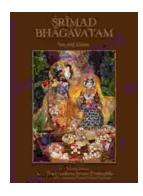
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