

We are Robert and Susan Cirigliano also known as Daddy and Mommy. But we have only heard three of our four children call us that because our son Bobby never had the chance. On September 15, 2004 Bobby was six months and three days old when his head and neck were caught in the detached side rail of his crib. After the drop side rail detached Bobby's head was caught between the side rail and the mattress. With his face pressed against the mattress, he suffocated. Bobby was taken from his crib, put into an ambulance, arrived at the hospital and never came home.

We miss Bobby everyday but what is most important is what Bobby misses. Bobby has an older sister who never had the chance to teach him how to get in and out of trouble. Bobby has a younger brother and sister that he has never met. Bobby has two grandfathers that he never played catch with. Two grandmothers who's cookies he was never able to taste. Bobby never had a chance to wear his first Halloween costume. He didn't get to sit on Santa's lap and never blew out a birthday candle.

Our smiles have dulled and our family will never be complete again. Other than Mommy and Daddy's arms Bobby was in one of the safest places - his crib. The reality is his crib was not safe and our lives will never be the same. We refuse to allow any other family suffer the pain we have.

After four years, one month, six days and two more "reported" infant deaths Bobby's crib was recalled. It took **FOUR YEARS, ONE MONTH, SIX DAYS and TWO MORE "REPORTED" INFANT DEATHS** for our sons crib to be recalled!

Our family has witnessed, first hand, manufacturer inaccuracies and bogus reports relayed to consumers. Our son, Bobby, was "negotiated" out of the recall announcement for his crib. We have learned that sometimes negotiation is necessary to speed up the recall. The consumer is being advised that there is a problem while at the same time manufacturers are minimizing the severity. It is sickening and heartbreaking to know that there were infants dying before our son, and infants dying after our son, before manufacturers felt it was necessary to warn parents. The manufacturer can not be trusted with alerting the public to deadly defects in a timely manner.

If this database saves even one child it's worth it a million times over. Just the thought that our trusted representatives would not even try to give this database a chance to see if it is saving lives is gut wrenching. How could getting rid of the database be effective in pin pointing defective products?

We had no reason not to purchase this crib. But other parents did. We had no idea the crib we were using for our son was a danger. But other parents did. We did not know our son was at risk of dying. But other parents did. They had no way of letting us know. The manufacturer did. They just didn't.

This is exactly why we support CPSC's public database.