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Naugatuck vigil remembers missing Waterbury man

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NAUGATUCK — Waiting. Wondering. Fearing. It's an "endless world of fear."

That's how the plight of the Smolinski family and all families of missing people and of victims of unsolved homicides was described Sunday at a candlelight vigil for William "Billy" Smolinski Jr., who disappeared from his Waterbury home three years ago.



Dozens of people gathered on the green in Naugatuck on Sunday for a candlelight vigil for Billy Smolinski Jr. who has been missing since Aug. 24, 2004. (Jamison C. Bazinet / RA)

"The word 'missing' in no way describes the sense of hopelessness, anger and despair that affects their lives," said Mary Lyall, of New York, whose own daughter Suzanne went missing almost 10 years ago.

Lyall was one of about a dozen speakers at the Naugatuck Green vigil, who urged more than remembrance; they urged those who still remember missing people to take action to demand more stringent requirements for missing-persons cases to be mandated across the state and the nation.

"If we lay the groundwork, we can solve more of these cases," said Mike Ward, a private investigator who approached the Smolinski family about a year ago after seeing a flyer about Smolinski. "I looked at the poster and said, 'My God. This guy can't still be missing. Something must be wrong.'"

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