

S. Tahoe man in prison for nearly killing his ex denied parole

Steve Wasserman, the South Lake Tahoe man in prison for nearly slashing his ex-girlfriend to death, will spend at least another seven years in prison.

He was up for parole this week, but was denied. The parole board said he could try again in seven years. The victim, Susie Rizk Laney, had hoped the next chance Wasserman would have for parole would be in 15 years.

On Oct. 25, 2005, Wasserman nearly killed Laney with a 2-foot-long Samurai sword. Their daughter who was 4 at the time watched as he tried to kill her at their South Lake Tahoe home.

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