

# Chattanooga Shooter Who Killed Four Marines Was Also Taking Psych Drugs

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As has been the case in nearly every other mass shooting in the U.S. and around the world in recent years, it has been learned that the shooter in Chattanooga who killed four Marines and a Navy sailor at a recruiting center was on dangerous mood-altering drugs.

As reported by *ABC News*, Mohammod Youssef Abdulazeez, 24, was facing a criminal charge, had been having suicidal thoughts as well as thoughts about becoming “a martyr,” and had been taking both prescription and non-prescription drugs, including opioids and painkillers.

The news network further reported:

*[A] diary belonging to the gunman and FBI interviews with his parents paint a picture of a disturbed, suicidal young man using drugs, preparing for bankruptcy and facing an appearance in criminal court, according to a representative of the shooter’s family. ...*

In a downward spiral, Abdulazeez would abuse sleeping pills, opioids, painkillers and marijuana, along with alcohol, the representative said.

The common link

There were other factors that authorities and friends believe may have contributed to Abdulazeez’s murders, including trips to Jordan, where some believe the previously not-so-devout Muslim may have become radicalized.

But the mood-altering drug connection cannot be ignored, since it is the one common denominator in nearly all of the mass shootings in the United States dating back to the Columbine High School murders in the late 1990s.

[Click here to search GoodGopher.com for psych drug shooters.](#)

According to the web site *Psych Drug Shooters*, Abdulazeez – a native of Kuwait – suffered from depression since he was a child. He began seeing a psychiatrist around the age of 12 or 13, and of course was medicated as part of his treatment. He graduated from college with an engineering degree but lost his job at a nuclear power facility because he failed a [drug](#) test (marijuana).

He becomes merely the latest drug-crazed shooter.

Dylann Roof, 21, charged with the racially motivated shooting deaths of nine people at the historically black Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Charleston just weeks ago had been arrested twice before. During one arrest, police found “orange strips,” which Roof admitted were “suboxone,” a Schedule 3 narcotic that is prescribed as a step-down drug for the treatment of opiate and painkiller addiction.

Incidentally, as news broke about Abdulazeed’s mind-altering drug connection, *Natural News* published a story [noting that nearly all psychotropic drug use is unnecessary](#), according to a doctor currently researching the “medical holocaust” that such drug use has caused.

According to reporter Jonathan Benson, the study which was published in the *British Medical Journal*, found:

*More than half a million people age 65 years or older die every year in the West from psychiatric drug use, and the worst part is that these death pills aren’t even effective at treating either mental illness or depression. Researchers from Denmark’s Nordic Cochrane Centre found that the benefits of [psych drugs](#) are minimal at best, and that most people who currently use them would be better off just ditching them entirely.*

More killings will occur as long as these medications are handed out

*Natural News* editor Mike Adams, the Health Ranger, [linked five of the most recent mass shooting incidents](#) involving Dylann Roof, James Holmes, Adam Lanza, Michael Carneal and Kip Kinkel to psychotropic drug use, adding that he has reported on the link for over a decade.

Others are also pointing out the link. In [this report](#), Dan Roberts of AmmoLand.com says the trend dates back at least 20 years. But not all of the killing is murder:

*Nearly every mass shooting incident in the last twenty years, and multiple other instances of suicide and isolated shootings all share one thing in common, and it’s not the weapons used.*

The overwhelming evidence points to the signal largest common factor in all of these incidents is the fact that all of the perpetrators were either actively taking powerful psychotropic [drugs](#) or had been at some point in the immediate past before they committed their crimes.

One other thing is certain: As long as these drugs are passed out like candy, more of these killings will occur.

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