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## **Discrimination Doesn't Drive Gays To An Early Grave**

*Philadelphia:* Does discrimination drive gays to an early grave?

New evidence about gay and lesbian lifespans presented at the *Eastern Psychological Association Convention* suggests homosexuals do die young – but not, as activists have often argued, because they are victims of discrimination or “homophobia.”

Dr. Paul Cameron, of the Family Research Institute, a Colorado-based think tank, said “there was essentially no difference between the average age of death for homosexuals in accepting societies – Norway and Denmark – and the United States, which, according to gay rights activists, is still “a homophobic society” since it still bans them from the military and giving blood. Canada’s census bureau also registered a sharp decline in the numbers of gays in old age.”

The facts were these:

- 1 In the U.S. the median age of death in obituaries was 52 yr. for 710 gays who ostensibly did not die of AIDS, 42 yr. for those 1,476 who supposedly did; 55 yr. for 143 lesbians; 75 yr. for 550 ever-married men; and 77 yr. for 272 ever-married women. For U.S. partnered gays who didn't die of AIDS, the Md age of death was 53 – 22 yrs. less than ever-married men, and lesbians' at 55 yr. was likewise 22 years shy of the 77 yr. for ever-married women
- 2 In Denmark, ever-married men outlived the 561 ever-homosexually-partnered by 23 years (74 yr. v. 51 yr.), and ever-married women outlived the 91 ever-homosexually-married by 22 (78 yr. v. 56 yr.).
- 3 In Norway, ever-married men outlived the 31 ever-homosexually by 25 years (77 yr. v. 52 yr.), and ever-married women outlived the 6 ever-homosexually-married by almost 25 years (81 yr. v. 56 yr.).
- 4 In the Canadian census, the proportion of gays went from almost 2% of adults under the age of 40 to about a third of a percent over the age of 60.

Paul Cameron, Ph.D. & Kirk Cameron, Ph.D., presented “Federal Distortion Of The Homosexual Footprint.” Paul Cameron, a reviewer for the *British Medical Journal*, the *Canadian Medical Association Journal*, and the *Postgraduate Medical Journal*, has published over 40 scientific articles on homosexuality. The EPA, is the oldest regional Psychological Association in the United States. At its Philadelphia convention members presented the latest advances in scientific work to colleagues.

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