

“GUNS SAVE LIVES,” HE WROTE

[NB: check the byline, thanks. /~Rayne]

Discussion of the shooting and death of right-wing pundit Charlie Kirk has taken over other threads. I’m putting up an open thread so that the other discussions can remain on topic.

Kirk believed in widely-distributed gun ownership and exhorted their use to put down violence (link):



Kirk said gun violence was necessary in America (link).



Kirk also believed empathy was some new age thing, evidence of “wokeness.” (link)

“I can’t stand the word empathy actually. I think empathy is a made-up, New Age term that – it does a lot of damage, but it is very effective when it comes to politics,” he added.

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Charlie Kirk: "I think empathy is a made up New Age term that does a lot of damage"



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Heidi Li Feldman published a thread on Mastodon to remind us of who Charlie Kirk was.

I have nothing to add which hasn't been said.

This is an open thread. As always, please avoid any rhetoric advocating, glorifying, or normalizing violence.