

# FROM MIRACLE TO MISERY

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THE LATEST VICTIM of a hit-and-run that wiped out a Brooklyn family was laid to rest Monday, as the heartless driver — an ex-con who was arrested for drunken driving about two weeks ago — was snuffed out, the subject of the police dragnet, has been laid to rest, including an eight-year stretch in prison for snuffing out a man to death in Brooklyn.

Police believe the violent felon was driving the wheel of a BMW that barreled down Kent Ave. in Brooklyn early Monday morning at more than 60 mph — twice the speed limit. The flashy ride T-boned the car of a pregnant woman that was carrying an expectant baby to a hospital about 10 miles away.

The father, Nachman and Raizel Glauber, who were eight months pregnant with their second child and was experiencing pains, did not survive the wreck. Doctors at Bellevue Hospital were unable to deliver their baby boy. The newborn, who weighed less than 3 pounds, died about 5 a.m. Monday — snuffing out the last sliver of hope to emerge from the couple's terrible tragedy.

The boy, named after his father, was buried with his mother near the fresh graves of his Orthodox Jewish parents in a cemetery in Kiryas Joel, Orange County. The cause of death for the 24-week-old infant was prematurity due to blunt-force trauma to the chest, the medical examiner said.

Joseph Silberstein, Raizel Glauber's brother, spoke for the family in the hallway of their Clymer St. apartment. He said he laid eyes on his tragic nephew before his brief life ended.

"I don't want to get into it," Silberstein said. "I can't control God's will. We accept it." Silberstein said the suspect who ran from the scene of the crash is a man who imagines the tragedy he left behind. "Whoever did this through this can't even contemplate what this is, what his sister and her husband... and more, at once, they lost."

A friend of Acevedo, 44, said the cowardly driver was trying to get his hands on some cash to



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Raizel (left) and Nachman Glauber (shown at 2012 wedding) were laid to rest in Orange County Satmar cemetery Monday with their newborn, who died night after hit-run crash.

# KILLED BY A LOWLIFE

## Newborn is buried with parents

## Thug had DWI bust last month

... lawyer. Then he was planning to surrender. He's willing to cop out to whatever it is. "I'm admitting his responsibility," said his attorney, Derrick Hamilton. The suspect has quite a tale. Acevedo told friends he was out for a joyride through a residential part of Williamsburg when he spotted an old nemesis. The man began chasing him and Acevedo slammed his foot down on the gas, and soon he smashed into the young couple's livery car near Wilson St. The Glaubers, both 21, weren't wearing seatbelts at the time of the crash, cops said. The cab driver, Pedro Nunez, survived with minor injuries. Acevedo's mother, who lives in Brooklyn, said she has no contact with her estranged son. "I know why you are here. You are

here for my son. He doesn't live here," the sobbing woman said from inside her apartment at the Farragut Houses. She refused to give her name or open the door. "I don't want to talk. I have nothing to say. Tell the family of my condolences," the distraught woman said, weeping on the other side of the door. The felon's mother said her niece told her about the hit-and-run tragedy. She also expects her son to turn himself in. "He doesn't call me. I didn't raise him," she added. In other developments: The career criminal had a 0.13 blood-alcohol content after a DWI bust on Feb. 17.



It "was God's will," says Joseph Silberstein, Raizel Glauber's brother.

in Brooklyn, authorities said. The legal limit in New York is 0.08. Acevedo had come from a baby shower at the Sugar Hill Club in Bedford-Stuyvesant when he was pulled over for driving erratically, authorities said. The bad seed told cops he had a couple of beers. He was arrested on Lafayette Ave. about 3:15 a.m. Court records show he was in a BMW during that bust, too — but not the same one involved in Sunday's wreck. Cops said Acevedo was slurring his words and had red eyes and alcohol on his breath. That case is pending; he's due back in court April 10. Grief-stricken relatives and friends of the Glaubers crowded into the couple's Williamsburg apartment on Monday to sit shiva — a day after at least 1,000 people mourned the couple at a funeral outside the Hasidic Congregation Yetev Lev D'Satmar. Retired printer Oscar Sabel, who lives near

the scene of the crash, said the mood in the close-knit neighborhood was one of despair. "We all hoped the baby would survive," he said. Takia Walker, 29, who owned the BMW that plowed into the Glaubers, has been charged in the Bronx with insurance fraud. She was released from custody on Monday. "Prosecution has been deferred pending further investigation," said a spokesman for the Bronx district attorney's office. Police initially suspected the car was purchased and registered under false pretenses. But Walker, who called the Daily News Monday from police



Ex-con Julio Acevedo is being sought in tragedy.

custody, said the BMW was legally hers. "I let my friend borrow my car. I don't know what happened from that point," she said. "I woke up with the police picking me up." She said she gave the car to a friend named Twana on Friday morning. The friend was supposed to go to the airport, park the BMW there and return it Monday. "I have no clue (why) there was a man driving the car," said Walker, mother to a year-old child. Police have offered a \$2,000 reward for information leading them to Acevedo's whereabouts. Anyone with information should call (800) 577-TIPS. Two City Council members and members of the Orthodox Jewish community also offered awards totaling \$15,000. Acevedo will likely be charged with leaving the scene of an accident. He

could be charged with vehicular homicide or vehicular manslaughter if prosecutors can prove he was intoxicated, said defense attorney Todd Greenberg, who specializes in vehicular law. Second-degree manslaughter carries a 15-year sentence. Greenberg said some prosecutors have filed charges of depraved-indifference murder, which carries a life sentence, in cases where the driver's conduct before the crash was particularly egregious. But it's too early to tell if that would apply in this case. With Reuven Blau, Chelsia Rose Marcus and Joe Stepansky

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- ### A TOTAL BUST
- Suspected hit-and-run driver Julio Acevedo has a long rap sheet:
- Sept. 8, 1986 — Busted for reckless endangerment.
  - Nov. 21, 1986 — Nabbed for drug possession.
  - Oct. 20, 1987 — Shot and killed a man and was later convicted of manslaughter.
  - Nov. 17, 1987 — Arrested for drug possession in Brooklyn.
  - Jan. 17, 1989 — Busted for drug possession in Brooklyn.
  - Feb. 21, 1989 — Started eight-to-16-year prison term for the shooting and the drug charges.
  - Aug. 15, 1997 — Released.
  - Aug. 27, 1997 — Arrested for robbery in the Bronx.
  - Oct. 27, 1997 — In custody again.
  - June 26, 1998 — Paroled.
  - Oct. 9, 1998 — Violates parole and is returned to custody.
  - Aug. 16, 1999 — Released on parole again.
  - February 2002 — Spends six days in jail on weapons charge.
  - Nov. 10, 2003 — Parole supervision ends.
  - 2003 to 2007 — In federal custody for gun possession.
  - Feb. 17, 2013 — Arrested in Brooklyn at 3:15 a.m. and charged with DWI. He had a 0.13% blood-alcohol level, according to court papers.