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More than 7 months after an antisemitic attack in Boulder, a family who says they knew nothing is still detained by ICE

June 1 began as an ordinary day for Habiba Soliman: Her mother was doing some work in a cafe, her brother Omar was on an afternoon hike with friends, and she was babysitting her 8-year-old sister and 4-year-old twin siblings at home.

Then the teenager, 17 at the time, saw police cars swarm her neighborhood, she wrote in a statement.

Confusion grew as her father's phone rang at home, even though he was supposed to be at work, Habiba wrote. When her mother, Hayam El Gamal, arrived home, she was escorted by authorities to the police station. According to her statement, Habiba and her brother Omar, alarmed by the seriousness of the situation, dug through local news headlines until they found one about their father and they couldn't believe their eyes.

[Mohamed Sabry Soliman](#) had allegedly attacked demonstrators in Boulder, Colorado at a Jewish event supporting Israeli hostages in Gaza with a homemade flamethrower and Molotov cocktails, according to federal prosecutors. The attack wounded [at least 29](#) people and an 82-year-old woman later died from her injuries.

He's facing [more than 100 charges](#) related to the incident, including murder. Soliman pleaded not guilty to state charges, and his attorney asked for a jury trial slated to begin in the summer. He also pleaded not guilty to the federal hate crime charges.





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