Subject: Re: Abortion [split] Posted by Arcane1 on Thu, 10 Nov 2005 14:21:26 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

NeoSaber wrote on Thu, 10 November 2005 02:09

I've been trying to research the rate the last few days, and so far what I've found says the death rate was very low. One of the founders of NARAL now says out of 100,000 estimated illegal abortions a year, 200-250 women are believed to have died from complications due to abortions. He added that numbers indicating higher rates at that time were a complete fabrication created by the original founders of the pro-choice movement in America. They thought the ends justified the means.

I will have to admit that aside from anecdotal evidence I don't have any actual numbers on that issue. Kudos to you for digging. One detail that I know of is that severe complications and suffereing permanent damage from botched abortions were an issue, again I don't have any real numbers.

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Personally, I consider myself to be along the lines of a cold-hearted, emotionless monster, but I'll give it a shot.

Maybe I'm the wrong person to answer that hypothetical since I know my mom well enough to know that if my teenage sister somehow got pregnant, she would raise the child without question. Abortion would never even enter into her mind as a possibility. She'd never allow her grandchild to be killed for being an inconvenience.

Cold hearted or not, all I asked is that the suit be tried on, and that was certainly a fair go at it.

The issue with being able to know or predict people's reactions in situations I'll take you to task on though. There are few people in the world that surprise us as much by their actions as our family. You'd have to assume that your (hypothetical) sister would even tell her family beforehand and not make the decision alone. There are so many variables that predicting is tough. Look at how families often behave after a death and the whole matter of property/cash issues arise to see how absolutely nutty people get. This issue isn't too far from that emotionally and I have seen people do far differently than what I would have expected faced with a surprise pregancy.

Kytten9 While I respect your opinions, I seriously doubt anyone who isn't female would have a clearer or more valid perspective on this. You don't have a uterus so you cannot understand the pressures of being a woman, same said as I cannot fully appreciate the pressures of being a guy. Here is a perspective that I was getting at earlier regarding a mostly Male legislature making the law. Granted Women can voet, etc., etc., but they are far under represented in any legal body. If we used the population as a standard, 50% or more of the lawmakers should be female, and half of the Presidents should have been Female. Clearly that isn't so.