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SUMMARY: Gloria Aponte, age 20, died April 29, 1986 after an abortion performed by National Abortion Federation member Hanan Rotem at his clinic in Stamford, CT.

Twenty-year-old Gloria P. Aponte went to [National Abortion Federation](#) member Hanan Rotem in Stamford, Connecticut, for a [safe and legal abortion](#) on April 29, 1986. A few hours after the abortion, Gloria was declared dead from [hemorrhage](#) at a nearby hospital. Gloria, wife of Carlo Aponte, had been a homemaker.



Rotem claimed that Gloria had died from an amniotic fluid embolism. An investigation by health officials found that Rotem had failed to perform necessary blood tests, such as hematocrit and Rh factor, and had permitted a receptionist with no medical training to administer anesthesia. Rotem had no hospital privileges and no emergency patient transfer agreement in place. For his fatal treatment of Gloria, he was fined a total of \$2,000.

