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KAYLI GRACE ARSETH

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WHOSE DEATH FALLS
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ROMANTIC REJECTION
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Kayli Grace Arseth, 22, was shot and killed in her apartment in Richfield on June 16, 2025. Jose Luis Lopez Xique, 27, is charged with second-degree murder. Kayli and Xique had recently met online, but the relationship was not romantic or sexual. Xique repeatedly pushed for a romantic relationship despite Kayli repeatedly telling him no and preferring friendship. A series of text exchanges about this occurred in the days prior to her homicide.

On June 16, the day of her murder, Kayli again told Xique she did not want a relationship. At some point during this conversation, Xique had already broken into her apartment and was texting her from there. She later arrived home from work and never answered when her friend arrived for scheduled plans. On June 17, officers responded to a welfare check and found her dead in her apartment. She had been shot in the head.

Xique was arrested on July 3. When officers arrived to execute a search warrant at his residence, he told them to "hurry it up." During their search, police found a Glock 9mm firearm, a red dot sight adapter plate and a "Tactical Media Acquisition Kit" containing camera accessories, hard drives, and flash drives.

Kayli Grace Arseth is remembered as "a vibrant spirit" who had "unwavering compassion for others." She loved music, going to raves with friends, art, and restoring her motorcycle. She was a beloved nanny and babysitter and a Behavioral Technician. Kayli Grace Arseth's energy "brought light to everyone."