

- I met JoAnn McGuckin back in 2001-2002 when I worked at Walmart as a cashier. She handed me a check one day, during all of the hoopla that was going on and I recognized her name. I didn't bring up the subject, but I felt I had to say something in support. So I said, "I think you are the bravest woman I've ever met." After that, if I was on duty, she would always come through my line regardless of how many others were in front of her. She had met a friend.
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I have always felt that they got royally screwed. Apparently, Idaho law allows counties to confiscate equity if the property is sold for back taxes. It shouldn't be that way. Many states, including Washington, will sell your property then refund the difference between the sale price and taxes owed, back to the previous owner. Bonner county just ate a huge equity and smugly went on their way. When you consider that JoAnn was temporarily mentally ill over the loss of her husband and the hopelessness of her financial situation, and there was no help for the family, just authority and bureaucracy, it made me ashamed to be a citizen of Idaho. I wish someone in government would pass a law making things right for this family, who was victimized by the system – **Herb Huseland**.
