



Tennessee shooter struggled with clash of faith, drugs

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CHATTANOOGA, Tennessee: A few months before he killed five US service members in a shooting rampage here, the 24-year-old gunman, who often joked that he was just an “Arabian redneck,” was smoking marijuana with friends.

It was getting late and Mohammad Yousuf Abdul Aziz had work the next morning at his new job some two hours away in Franklin, said a close friend who was with him that night and spent several hours with him in the days leading up to the shooting.

Abdul Aziz dropped off a couple of his friends at their homes on the night in April, snorted some crushed caffeine pills and started to drive.

A little after 2 am., Abdul Aziz was arrested for driving under the influence, according to court papers, an incident sharply at odds with blog posts in which he portrayed himself as a devout Muslim and his existence in this world a “prison of monotony and routine.”

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Abdul Aziz also struggled to find work after he graduated from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga with an engineering degree. He briefly landed a job at a nuclear power plant in Ohio, but was dismissed when he failed a background check. He told friends he had failed the company’s drug test after smoking marijuana. ■

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