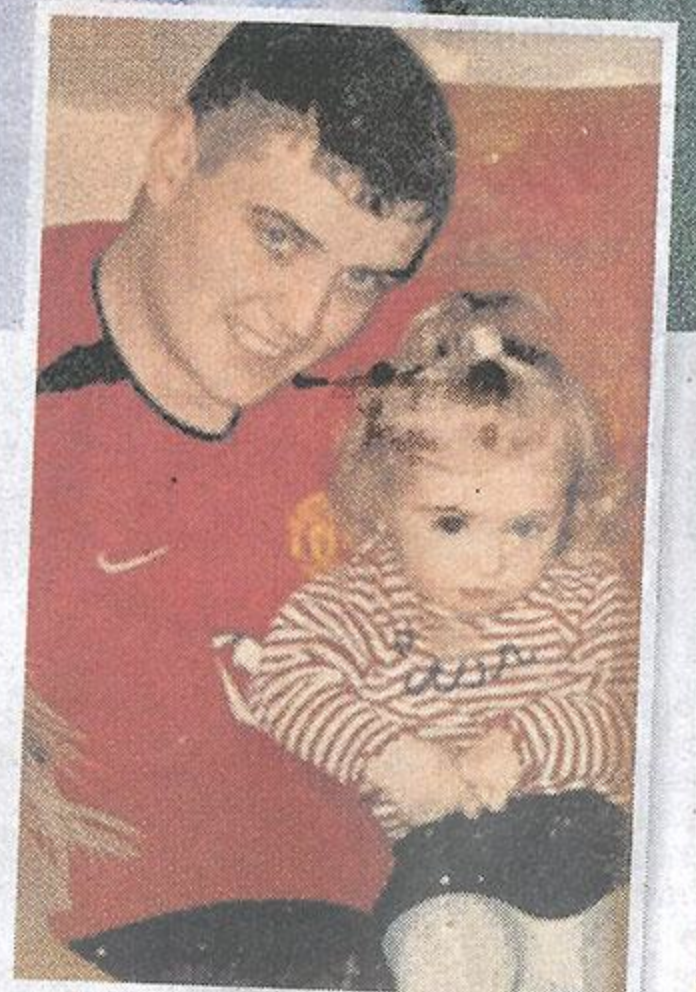


ON EVIL GANG BOSS GRUDGE

‘Robert
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PODCAST REVELATION



Family man ... Robert with his daughter Megan, also right



killer for the Real IRA and was being paid €10,000 per hit. But the veteran republican ended up being abandoned by the mainstream republican movement over the shooting. And he started associating with dissident republicans led by former Real IRA boss Alan Ryan. The ex-Provo was probed about the shooting but was never charged. Gaynor was also questioned but would never stand trial. He was shot dead by Keith Wilson in August 2010. Robert's family still believe that it's not too late for anyone to be charged with orchestrating the

attempt on their son's life. The new podcast will also hear from the former senior garda who led the investigation into the shooting. Pat Lordan, who retired in 2023 after 37 years' service, still hopes that the criminal who ordered the attack can be brought to justice. Mr Lordan told the podcast: "This was a horrific crime against a young man who was doing his level best for his family." "He was just trying to look after his family." "There was a viewpoint that this was a case of mistaken identity among the investigators. "But that, as we know, was not

the case. We also got information early on that people had been told not to speak up. "I think the words used would have been 'dead people can't talk'." "This would be common enough but people do talk - no matter who they are." "The best of criminals talk and trust in people." The former officer added: "This was the most unusual case and a difficult one for us gardai to work on because the culprits didn't have to, and never did, set foot in Robert Delany's apartment." "Robert was attacked in his own home. A shotgun fired at him,

badly injuring him, leaving him with life-threatening injuries which he has not succumbed to. "He's really had a horrific time for all these years - struggling through as a result of the injuries he sustained that day." Robert's sister Sinead and his two daughters will also reveal their trauma on the three-part podcast. Listeners will also meet Robert. stephen.breen@the-sun.ie ● **THIS** Is Robert is brought to you by the producers of the Kinahans and the Stardust Tragedy podcasts. Episode 1 is available for download today on Apple, Spotify or wherever you get your podcasts.