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Carlson: Massie Loss Is Death of MAGA, GOP as We Know It. Gallrein's Vote Count Called Into Question.

Podcaster Tucker Carlson has reported the result of his "autopsy" of Representative Thomas Massie's loss in the GOP primary in Kentucky's 4th Congressional District to Israel-first candidate Ed Gallrein.

MAGA is dead, Carlson said in a podcast released yesterday, and so is the Republican Party as we know it.

That necropsy went viral about the same time as the alarming claim that mischief might have been afoot in the election, given the unbelievable number of voters who supposedly turned out to cast a ballot for Gallrein. He increased the share of a primary opponent against Massie by more than 350 percent.

Also gone viral: Video of Gallrein's victory party, which no one much cared about. Real Kentuckians went to Massie's after-election party.



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Thomas Massie

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The Israel lobby takes out Thomas Massie and kills MAGA in the process. The good news is, we've now confirmed how the system works.

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From Day 1, Adelson Was There. Now the GOP Is Dead.

Carlson opened his podcast, which featured GOP pollster Rich Baris, by recalling Inauguration Day, when he attended the service at St. John's Episcopal Church on Lafayette Square, across the street from the White House.

Israel-first billionaire Miriam Adelson "blew past" all those waiting in line in the freezing cold, Carlson recalled, to pass through the magnetometers and enter the church.

"I knew that she was the biggest or one of the biggest donors to the Trump campaign, an Israeli born in Israel, widow of Sheldon Adelson, the biggest Republican donor, the casino magnate, but more than anything a fervent neocon," Carlson recalled:

Her main issue is American support for Israel. She says this, it's not a secret, and she spends accordingly. And she brushes past me ... and everybody else, and just walks right in like she owns the place. And I remember thinking, hmm, I hope this isn't an omen, I hope it's not a sign of things to come. ... So I kind of sublimated it, tried not to think about it.

Turning to Tuesday's primary in Kentucky's District 4, [which Gallrein won](#) 57,822 votes to 47,539, or 54.9 percent to 45.1 percent, with heavy support from those older than 65, Carlson said the overwhelming victory ends all pretense that democratic elections mean anything.



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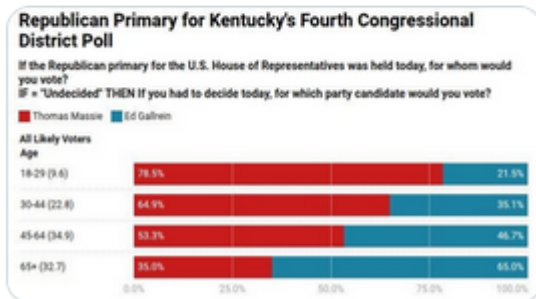
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🇺🇸 Ed Gallrein beat Thomas Massie in Kentucky's 4th Congressional District primary without winning a single age group under 65.

Seniors carried him across the finish line. Every other demographic voted for Massie.

That's how powerful the 65+ bloc has become in low-turnout [Show more](#)



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🇺🇸 Thomas Massie just lost his Kentucky primary, and Trump couldn't wait to comment.

Trump at the Congressional Picnic:
"He was a bad guy. He deserved to lose."



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The American Israel Public Affairs Committee bragged that "Pro-Israel Americans are proud to help



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defeat anti-Israeli candidates. Being pro-Israel is good policy and good politics!" [Carlson said](#), quoting an AIPAC revelatory, celebratory X post (now removed). Carlson interpreted this as:

We bumped the guy off. He criticized us. We're literally an unregistered foreign lobby who exists not to help the United States or its citizens, but a foreign country.

Carlson accused Donald Trump's administration of using the Justice Department to squelch criticism of Israel as "antisemitism." The administration "is using your tax dollars to intimidate you into shutting up about something that AIPAC is bragging about publicly." DOJ [is sending](#) a federal task force on a 15-city tour to fight "antisemitism," he observed.

Carlson concluded by wondering whether the election was a "humiliation ritual ... a way of saying to the rest of us, people who sort of believed in democracy, 'It's all fake. We can get a guy whose last name we can't pronounce elected on the platform everybody in America hates because we can, because we're billionaires, and you're not.'"

The moneybags behind Gallrein's improbable victory are open about their hatred for real Americans. "Our priorities are not aligned with yours. In fact, we hate your priorities, and we hate you," Carlson said of the Gallrein Mafia:

We're gonna do this to you anyway. Even in Kentucky, we can do it. ...

So on one level, this is the saddest moment in a long time. It's not just the death of Thomas Massie's immediate political career (which may be resurrected, one never knows). It's obviously the death of MAGA, whatever that was. But it's also, of course, the end of the Republican Party as we thought we knew it. The Republican Party of right now bears absolutely no resemblance to the Republican Party we thought we had just elected less than a year and a half ago. None at all. Its priorities are completely different. Its slogans are completely different. It is not the same thing.

Still, Carlson said, it's "not all bad. And it's not bad because the one thing we know is that nothing will be the same after this. This is too much. They went too far."

He called Gallrein's victory "Pyrrhic" because Americans now know "how the system actually works":

And no, it's not a democratic system. It bears no resemblance to a democratic system at all. A small number of people who are more concerned about a foreign country than our country decide who gets elected. No, that's not a hateful conspiracy theory. That's a demonstrable fact that they admit. So it's on the basis of that that we can proceed.

Vote Shenanigans?

Whatever the future of the GOP and MAGA, election watchers believe the vote might have been rigged in the same sense that the 2020 election was rigged, because of Gallrein's remarkable turnout. In 2020, results showed that President Joe Biden received more than 81 million votes, while predecessor Barack Hussein Obama received 69 million and change.

Gallrein's vote count looks equally fishy, observed America First GOP Senate candidate Sam Parker.



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MASSIE LOSES AFTER 2026 VOTE TOTAL MORE THAN DOUBLES THE 2024 TOTAL

Kentucky 4th District Republican Primary: Massie vs. Opponents of Massie

Metric	2024	2026	% Change (2024 to 2026)
Massie Votes	39,929 (75.9%)	47,539 (45.1%)	+19.1%
Opponents Votes	12,664 (24.1%)	57,822 (54.9%)	+356.6%
Total Votes	52,593	105,361	+100.3%

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- Opponents = combined anti-Massie vote (2024: McGinnis 6,604 + Deters 6,060; 2026: Gallrein only).
- % changes are **relative changes in vote totals** (standard percent increase formula). Share percentages are shown for context but are not used in the % change column (Massie share fell 30.8 percentage points; opponents share rose 30.8 points).

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Massie received 39,929 votes in Kentucky's District 4 2024 primary, or 75.9 percent. This time around, he received 47,539, or 45.1 percent of the vote against Gallrein. Increase: 19.1 percent.

Gallrein, however, vastly improved over Massie's opponent two years ago. That failed candidate pulled 12,664 votes, or 24.1 percent. But Gallrein received 57,822 votes, or 54.9 percent. Increase: **356.6 percent.**

The total vote increased 100.3 percent.

"DID MASSIE GET 2020'D?" Parker asked over his X graphic:

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Maybe, and perhaps the evidence is in viral video of the after-election parties. Massie's [was packed](#). Gallrein's: [Not so much](#).



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As far as I can tell, there haven't been any state lawmakers at the party so far. This is compared to Massie that has had strong support from Republican state lawmakers in Northern Kentucky. pic.twitter.com/uTVxm0YKRR

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