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Sally painted the picture of a thoughtful boy who, after his father left home when he was 13, assured her that he would never abandon her.

She became suspicious when, at 14, he grew his hair to shoulder-length, began listening to heavy metal music, and started drinking and smoking cannabis with his schoolmates.

She believes his transformation into a terrorist began when he met some new Asian friends at a gym, around the time he broke up with his long-term girlfriend 'who he still loved'.

Thomas changed his name to Abdul Hakim and started using different pots and pans to his family - saying they were contaminated with food that was not halal.

Sally said: 'I respected his right to be a Muslim... but eventually he stopped respecting my right to be secular and repeatedly told his brother and I we were destined for hell unless we converted to Islam.'

She and her other son Michael were confused as at how Thomas, who used racist slurs to describe High Wycombe's sprawling Asian community, became interested in Islam.

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Evans left his home in High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, in 2011 to fight alongside the al-Shabaab terror group in Somalia.

Evans - known as the White Beast for his ruthlessness on the battlefield - became the first British extremist to be killed on Kenyan soil this June after he was shot down during a failed ambush on an army base.

In an interview with a national newspaper his mother Sally, 57, said she was 'both devastated and relieved' when she read of his death on Twitter - and believes he is 'burning in hell' for his crimes.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FhxCV8IjbQg>

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