



# Christopher J. Bradley Summit

## Press Kit

*E Pluribus Unum – Out of Many, One Name*

July 4-5, 2026 • Northwest Florida

[christopherjbradley.com](http://christopherjbradley.com)

[press@christopherjbradley.com](mailto:press@christopherjbradley.com)

# The Christopher J. Bradley Summit

*E Pluribus Unum – Out of Many, One Name*

## WHAT

**The first-ever gathering of everyone in America named Christopher J. Bradley**

## WHEN

**July 4-5, 2026 (America's 250th birthday)**

## WHERE

**Northwest Florida (specific venue TBA)**

## GOAL

**Bring together as many of the estimated 2,287 American CJBs as possible**

## WORLD RECORD

**2,325 (Ivans in Bosnia, 2017)**

## CHARITY

**Proceeds benefit veteran housing organizations**

*"I've spent years thinking about what connects us and what divides us. This is the most literal version of that question I could imagine."*

## Precedent

- **Josh Fight (2021):** ~1,000 attendees, \$14,000 raised, CNN/BBC/ESPN/WSJ coverage
- **Phil Campbell Convention (1995, 2011):** Documentary "I'm With Phil"
- **Nigel Night (2019):** 434 Nigels gathered in England

## REGISTRATION

# Founder Bio

## SHORT BIO (100 WORDS)

Christopher J. Bradley is a Gulf War veteran, lawyer, and civic educator based in Northwest Florida. After years of personal upheaval — including a painful estrangement from his daughter — he spent nearly a decade living on a sailboat, where he photographed over 2,000 sunsets and developed his guiding philosophy: "Love everyone, start with you." He's the author of a 28-book children's series on constitutional values and founder of several civic education platforms. The CJB Summit is his attempt to explore what connects people — starting with the 2,287 Americans who share his exact name.

## Long Bio (350 words)

---

Christopher J. Bradley knows something about disconnection.

A Gulf War veteran who served with the 1st Cavalry Division driving a tank in combat at 19, Bradley returned home to build a life — law school, a legal career, a family. Then it fell apart. A difficult divorce led to estrangement from his daughter, a separation that persists to this day. The systems meant to protect families failed him, a story he documented in his memoir "The Citizen's Compass: A Journey Through American Principles and Personal Reckoning."

In the aftermath, Bradley did something unexpected: he moved onto a 36-foot sailboat docked along Florida's Northwest Gulf Coast. For nearly a decade, he lived on the water, often anchored less than a mile from where his daughter attended high school — close enough to hope, too far to reach.

During those years, he photographed over 2,000 sunsets from the same vantage point. The practice became a meditation on impermanence, beauty, and the stubborn persistence of showing up. He emerged with a simple philosophy: "Life is simple. Love everyone, start with you."

That philosophy now drives his work. Bradley is the author of "Liberty's Principles Pals," a 28-book children's series teaching constitutional values to young readers. He's built nine interconnected platforms focused on civic education, family strengthening, and intentional living — including The Citizen's Compass, The Art of Citizenship, and Love Everyone.love.

The Christopher J. Bradley Summit represents something new: an experiment in connection.

# Quotable Quotes

Pre-approved quotes from Christopher J. Bradley for media use:

*"I've spent years thinking about what connects us and what divides us. This is the most literal version of that question I could imagine — 2,000 strangers who share nothing but a name, coming together to see what else we have in common."*

*"I lived on a sailboat for nearly a decade. I photographed over 2,000 sunsets. I wrote 28 children's books. Now I'm gathering everyone in America who shares my name. My life doesn't follow a straight line — but it all connects."*

*"E Pluribus Unum — out of many, one. Usually that refers to states. For us, it's about people. What unites 2,287 strangers beyond three words on a birth certificate? That's what we're going to find out."*

*"The sailboat years taught me something: you can't control the wind, but you can adjust your sails. This summit is me adjusting my sails — building something about connection after years of learning what disconnection feels like."*

*"One of our namesakes is a Navy veteran from Florida who was severely injured in service. When we gather, we're not just celebrating a name — we're honoring the stories behind it."*

*"Love everyone, start with you. That's the philosophy I developed on the boat. This summit is one way I'm trying to live it out."*

# Story Angles & Key Statistics

## Story Angles for Journalists

### Human Interest / Feature

A man who experienced profound disconnection — from his daughter, from his expected life — builds something fundamentally about connection. The irony is the point.

### Trend Piece

The growing phenomenon of name-based gatherings. Josh Fight, Phil Campbell, Nigel Night — and now this.

### America 250 Angle

E Pluribus Unum with a twist. What unites Americans beyond the obvious?

### Veteran Story

Gulf War veteran rebuilds his life through civic education and community building. Summit honors injured Navy veteran namesake.

### Lifestyle / Second Act

A decade on a sailboat, 2,000 sunsets, and finding purpose after loss.

### Genealogy Angle

Crowdsourcing the search for the first Christopher J. Bradley in American history.

### Local Florida Angle

Northwest Florida resident's unusual journey — from sailboat to civic educator to gathering organizer.

## Key Statistics

**2,287**

Estimated CJBs in America

**50**

States represented

**250**

Years of independence

**2,325**

Current world record

# Contact & Resources

## MEDIA CONTACT

**Christopher J. Bradley**

press@christopherjbradley.com

Northwest Florida, USA

## Website

---

**christopherjbradley.com**

## High-Resolution Photos

---

Available upon request. Includes headshots, sunset photography from the sailboat years, and event graphics.

## Interviews

---

Christopher J. Bradley is available for phone, video, and in-person interviews. He can also connect journalists with other registered Christopher J. Bradleys for additional perspectives.

## Related Projects

---

- **The Citizen's Compass** — [thecitizenscompass.com](http://thecitizenscompass.com)
- **Liberty's Principles Pals** — [libertysprinciplespals.com](http://libertysprinciplespals.com)
- **Love Everyone** — [loveeveryone.love](http://loveeveryone.love)
- **Sunsets for the Soul** — [sunsetsforthesoul.com](http://sunsetsforthesoul.com)