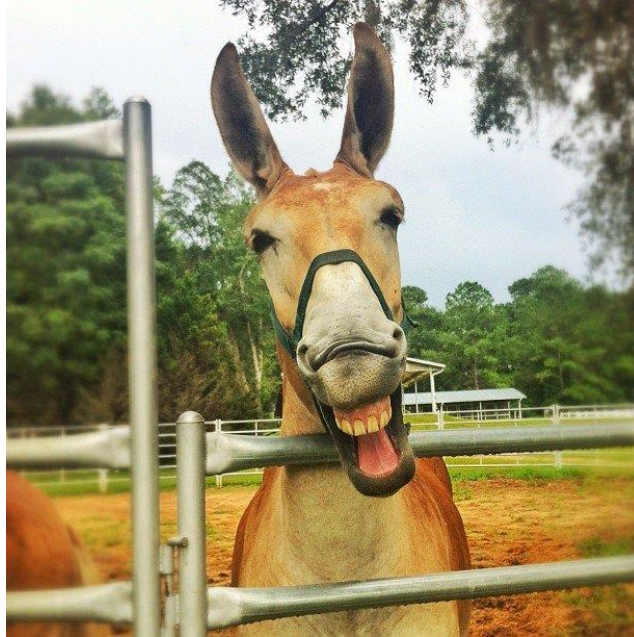


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Think Before You Vote!

About The Author

Joe Calitri was born in Boston, Massachusetts in 1952, and raised in the small Bay State town of West Bridgewater. A staunch Constitutional Conservative, Joe is a retired twenty year veteran Corrections Officer from the Massachusetts Correctional Institute at Norfolk; former MCIN Chief Union Steward and Field Representative for the Massachusetts Correction Officers Federated Union (MCOFU); Security Officer for the state of Florida; and Computer Assisted Data Specialist for Nielsen Media Research, The Nielsen company LLC. His writing credentials include editing the weekly Bullet and monthly Newsletter for the MCOFU, Chairman and Newsletter editor for the West Bridgewater, Massachusetts Republican Town Committee, and Secretary and Newsletter editor of the Charleston Park Homeowner's Association in North Port, Florida. He has had numerous editorials published over the years in the Boston Herald, Brockton, Massachusetts Enterprise and North Port, Florida Sun newspapers, and is currently enjoying retirement, creative writing and recording original music in St. Petersburg, Florida.

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Foreword

Conservatism is a way of life. Liberalism is an ideology. The difference between modern Liberalism and Conservatism is the first one believes that government is owner and distributor of freedom and rights, while the other maintains that government exists to protect the rights and freedoms Man is born with.

Unaltered history proves that true Conservative values are beneficial to human existence every time they are adopted, despite the endless table-pounding by Liberal talking heads who would have us believe otherwise. It was a simple task for me to grasp the concept of Conservatism and I've spent most of my life trying to help others do the same. My success has been marginal at best. I was encouraged several times to run for public office in Massachusetts and Florida but declined for personal reasons. I explained that I was unelectable because I was too honest and incorruptible, plus I didn't play well with Communists, Socialists, jihadists, pro-abortionists, gun-grabbers, liars, thieves and "sheeple!" For those who might not know, "sheeple" are individuals who are compared to sheep because they are docile, foolish or easily led. I have more to offer humanity through journalism, creative writing and spreading political truths.

But don't unconditionally believe everything you hear or read. Don't take any politician at his or her word. Don't accept anything reported by the "lame-stream" media as gospel. Don't even take for granted the information *I* share with you. Do a little bit of homework, some research on topics of interest and confirm answers to questions before becoming ideologically unhinged. As President Ronald Reagan once said, "Trust, but verify."

Thankfully, the following media personalities have been able to improve upon my efforts at the national and international levels. Not every one of these celebrities is an admitted Conservative, but each one provides sensible information on television, radio, in print and on the Internet, supported by verifiable facts. Collectively they have given me the inspiration and motivation to share my beliefs on a grander scale. In alphabetical order, I give my eternal thanks and praise to:

Glenn Beck
Ann Coulter
Monica Crowley
Sean Hannity
Laura Ingraham
Mark Levin
Rush Limbaugh
Michelle Malkin
Bill O'Reilly
Mark Steyn

You Are Not Alone

What did you call me? I'm a racist for criticizing Obama. I'm a terrorist because I want to protect my Second Amendment rights. I'm a "Teabagger" for supporting the Constitution. I'm a national security threat because I speak my mind. I'm a troublemaker for asking unanswered questions. I'm a "Birther" because I dare question the documentation of the president. I'm a traitor for exposing the corruption in my government. I'm a conspiracy theorist for presenting documented facts. I'm anti-American for not toeing the party line. I'm a war monger because I support the troops. I'm a greedy capitalist because I believe I'm entitled to what I earn. *Guilty as charged and proud of it! So what?* As long as I'm an American citizen and American blood runs in my veins, I will hold myself at liberty to express, write and publish whatever I please on any subject. Anyone who is afraid to speak out against government authority for fear of retaliation will ultimately live in tyranny.

In 1952, I was born in Boston, Massachusetts, the son of unwed college students, so I'm told. Thankfully there were no Planned Parenthood abortion centers in the area at that time. Dr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Calitri adopted me when I was six days old. They baptized me in the Roman Catholic faith and raised me in the small Bay State farming town of West Bridgewater with traditional values of respect, courtesy, critical thinking and self-reliance. My father insisted that I attend a suburban private high school, and I completed my education at a local four-year college. My journey is not unlike that of many other Americans.

For as long as I can remember, I've been an eternal pessimist. It's an ineradicable flaw in my personality, but it's there for a reason. In my experience, I've found it to be much more pleasurable to expect the worst to happen and then be overjoyed when things turn out for the better, rather than the reverse. I don't share my thoughts because I believe they'll change the minds of folks with different points of view, I do so to show those who think the way I do that they're not alone. Just because some people are opposed to a Liberal, atheistic, unscrupulous mindset doesn't make us ignorant, racists, uneducated, haters and morons. We simply think for ourselves, honor The Creator and cherish our country. There are six aspects of my life that I will not allow anyone to abuse; my faith, my family, my guns, my flag, my country and my liberty. I have to believe that most other Americans hold similarly ingrained principles.

I'm not rude, I just voice observations and concerns that many other folks don't seem to have the courage to do. I miss the America I grew up in. My desire is to see an indelible majority of voters and elected political leadership advocate a flawless application and preservation of our Constitution. Since human beings are imperfect creatures, we have to accept that there will always be a number of uncooperative dissenters. The collective goal must be to kick start the process of growing America's

economy and balancing the nation's budget by replacing the current "socialized medicine" healthcare law with an efficient system that includes items such as tort reform and purchasing health insurance across state lines. The United States military has to be expanded enough to guarantee "peace through strength," while providing military veterans the care and benefits they deserve. It is imperative that the country's southern border be secured to dam the flood of illegal aliens, narcotics and anti-American terrorists.

It's disconcerting that in the United States, so many ingrates are offended by the American flag and its culture, but not its benefits, especially since that flag represents a society that is generous enough to give them doles that no other country would. Who are the real idiots here?

Energy independence is critical to the American economy and national security. Only a fool or someone with a malicious agenda would oppose utilizing as many of the country's natural resources as possible, while at the same time maintaining an environment that fosters upward mobility. Every child should have options to obtain the best education available, and the values of family, life, religious liberty and hard work need to be revitalized.

No one can vote away my Constitutional rights. I will say what I please, own any type of firearm, will not sit down and be quiet, and will not comply, because I'm an American citizen. I have reached a point in my life where I feel it is no longer necessary to try to impress anyone. If folks like me the way I am, that's fine. If not, it's their loss. When I shut my mouth and turn to walk away, it doesn't mean you've won, simply that your stupid ass isn't worth any more of my time. I will not apologize for being straight, for being Christian, for being Caucasian or for supporting the Second Amendment. I'm not a racist, I'm a *realist!* I don't personally attack anyone else's beliefs and I don't discriminate, but I'm fed up with people like me being made to look evil for having these beliefs. It's better to be slapped with the truth than kissed with a lie. All across America a quiet rage is building against the assault upon American values. More so than ever in the history of America, the concerns and patience of its people are being tested, tried and attacked by a group of elitists that is Hell-bent on the destruction of this country. *Refuse to remain silent!* Question boldly, hold to the truth and speak without fear! The only rights you have in this world are the ones you are willing to fight for. But you are not alone.

"Government's first duty is to protect the people, not run their lives."
~ Ronald Reagan

