

Celebrity News: Christie Brinkley Slams Rumors Saying She Split from John Mellencamp Due to Politics



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The rumor mill is at it again for another [celebrity couple](#). The [celebrity news](#) surrounding this pair reportedly was that Christie Brinkley split with John Mellencamp due to his “hellbent political opinions and redneck ways.” Brinkley slammed the rumors involving her ex saying, “John and I are actually both patriotic Americans who do our fair share of working to bring Americans together.” According to [UsMagazine.com](#), she admitted the real reason for their break-

up. She said, “As to the problem John and I faced, it’s just mileage.” Their long distance relationship turned this pair into [celebrity exes](#).

This celebrity news has us wondering about the truth. What are some ways to keep politics from affecting your relationship negatively?

Cupid’s Advice:

Politics have ruined a fair amount of romantic relationships and friendships alike. Different opinions are always causing splits in conversations, let alone relationships, and can lead to arguments. Cupid is here to help with some [dating advice](#):

1. Share opinions: Even if the opinions you share are contradicting, it can bring you and your partner closer together. Being aware of your differences without letting them affect your relationship is a mature way of coping. Keep it professional when it comes to politics and no fighting at the dinner table.

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2. Keep opinions to yourself: Sometimes it’s best to keep your mouth shut when your opinions vary. When one of you is rooting for one side and the other is on the opposing it can lead to some pretty uncomfortable moments. Decide it’s best not to discuss your thoughts when it comes to politics to avoid confrontation.

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3. Understand each other's opinions: You don't have to agree with your partner, but don't let it affect your romantic life. Decide if you want to talk about politics or not, but be aware of their side. See it their way and maybe you can reach a compromise. Perhaps you have some of the same opinions, you never know.

How do you keep politics out of your love life? Comment below!

Meg Ryan and John Mellencamp Split After Three Years Together





By Ann Luther

After more than three years together, Meg Ryan and John Mellencamp have ended their relationship. Ryan has been living in New York, while Mellencamp has been staying on a farm in Indiana. A source tells UsMagazine.com that “the distance got to be too much” for the couple. Best of luck to both of them as they go their separate ways!

What are some ways to cope with long distance in your relationship?

Cupid’s Advice:

Even the best couples can be broken up by distance. You expect so many things from a relationship that you simply cannot get when you’re far away from your love. Plus, your partnership loses an amount of intimacy that can mean doom. However, distance doesn’t always mean the end, so here are a few ways to help:

1. Video chat: Face-to-face communication is crucial to surviving a long-distance relationship. So much can be lost

over texts or even phone calls. Tone, intentions, facial expressions, and body language are all key to fully understand what and how your partner is feeling. Video chat isn't the same as being in-person, but it's a step in the right direction!

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2. Send each other mementos: Leave something behind for each other...preferably something that can be cuddled. A teddy bear sprayed with his cologne will get you through those long, lonely nights. Having something to be able to physically touch when you can't touch your guy will aid in taking a bit of the edge off.

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3. Be sure to know each other's schedules: Send each other your schedules and include time differences if you're separated by time zones. Knowing when the other is available for when you need or want them is unparalleled in comfort and security. If you know he's at the gym until 6 p.m. every night, then you won't be worried that he's ignoring your messages. You may not be able to actually participate in your partner's activities, but this little step will make you feel like a bigger part of their life.

How have you coped with a long-distance relationship? Share in the comments below.

Singer John Mellencamp and

Wife Elaine Split



It looks like singer John Mellencamp is starting the new year as a single man. After 18 years of marriage, Mellencamp and his wife Elaine have decided to call it quits. According to *People*, the pair met in 1991 when supermodel Elaine Irwin was hired to pose on the cover of Mellencamp's 'Whenever We Wanted' album. No concrete reason has been given for the split, but Mellencamp's spokesperson Bob Merils told *The Hollywood Reporter* that they "are proud of their 20 years together and are very happy with their accomplishments both as parents and as a family" and that "they will continue to raise their two children in Indiana, but have decided to call it a day as a couple."

What are ways to get out there after a long marriage ends?

Cupid's Advice:

Like many others coming out of a long marriage, John Mellencamp and Elaine Irwin are a little rusty when it comes to the dating game. Cupid thought of some steps to getting yourself out there after a divorce:

- 1. Focus on numero uno:** Before you can find someone new after a divorce, you need to feel good about yourself. Take some time to lift your spirits by doing things that make you smile. Once you're happy on your own, you're more likely to attract a great guy!
- 2. Hang with singles:** Once you're ready, start going out with friends and meeting new people. This can be anything from going out dancing, attending sports events or traveling. Mingle with the singles everywhere you go, and you're bound to find yourself a date who shares similar interests.
- 3. Online dating:** When all else fails, try meeting someone online! Find a dating site that feels right for you, set up a profile and let the computer do the work. We're in the generation of technology, and hundreds of people are meeting their spouses online every day. You could be next!