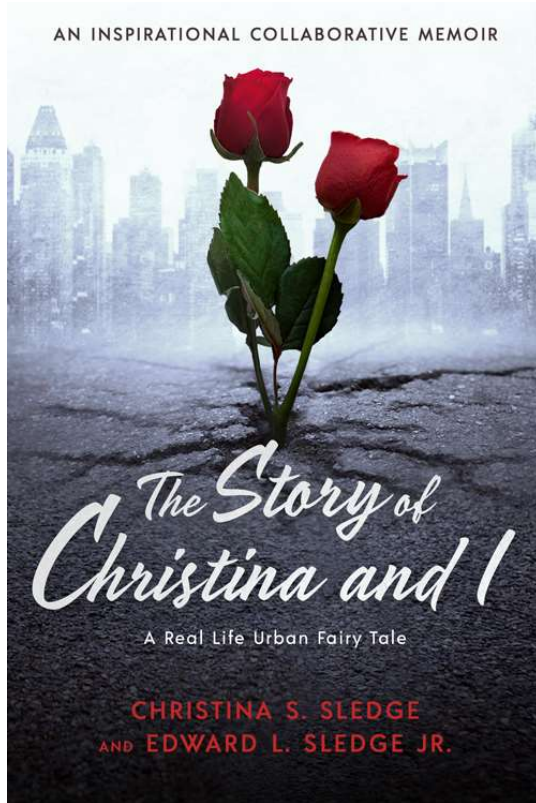


The Story of Christina and I

By Christina Sledge and Edward L. Sledge Jr



Two roses blossomed from the concrete jungle. Led by destiny, here is the true love story of two Brooklyn high school sweethearts as they navigate life and love.

One was encircled by poverty, crime, sex, drugs, and alcohol. The other was raised by a tight-knit family, filled with joy and supportive mentors.

Eddie, from Flatbush and Canarsie, tries to survive in his drug and crime-ridden neighborhood, while Christina is from Crown Heights, destined for higher education and success, though she struggles to stay focused

on her plan to achieve her dreams.

Eddie and Christina continue to unknowingly cross paths and finally begin their enduring love story. Their love is so powerful that they can conquer every obstacle they encounter and turn it into success.

A real-life urban fairy tale that compels you to find out how they finally get to their happily ever after...

Discussion Questions

Use these discussion questions to guide your next book club meeting.

- How did you feel about Little Eddie's early experiences?
- What were the similarities that Eddie and Christina had early on?

- How did you feel about Chrissy's tight knit family and early experiences?
- What commonalities did Big Eddie and Mama bring to Eddie and Christina's lives?
- What similarities exist in the manner in which Eddie and Christina responded to trauma that later caused them to change their future paths?
- What series of events could have occurred to prevent Christina and Eddie from reaching their destiny of being a couple?
- Eddie states in the "Little Eddie Becomes Eddie" chapter "I had to learn on my own to play the mental game of chess before I ever played the actual game of checkers." Which translates to learning something new and then being forced to strategize before understanding the new subject. Identify a point in Christina's story when she may have had to deal with this scenario?
- Do you think Eddie and Christina made the right choice by deciding to elope so soon into their engagement? Should they have waited until they could afford a big wedding to invite all their family and friends?
- Many relationships are discussed in the memoir. Which relationships stood out to you as the most meaningful, and why?
- Music has been an important part of Eddie and Christina's lives. How does their book's playlist align with significant points in their lives?
Playlist: <https://www.sledgehousemedia.com/our-playlists>
- Do you think the title of the book fits their love story? If not, what title would you pick instead?