

Name _____

The Eric Robert Rudolph Bombing Spree

Short Answer Key

1. Eric Robert Rudolph's family held extreme Christian Identity beliefs, which contributed to his radicalization.
2. Rudolph's first major bombing in 1996 targeted Centennial Olympic Park during the Summer Olympics. The bombing resulted in one death and over 100 injuries.
3. Rudolph targeted abortion clinics and a gay nightclub because he believed he was protesting against abortion and homosexuality.
4. Authorities captured Rudolph after a routine traffic stop led to the discovery of bomb-making materials in his vehicle.
5. Rudolph's motive for his bombing spree was to protest against abortion, homosexuality, and what he viewed as an oppressive federal government. He justified his actions as a means to fight against what he perceived as moral and political injustices.

