



## Charles J. Thomas, Sr.

May 19, 1943 - October 23, 2024

Charles J. Thomas, Sr. 81, of Deptford, NJ passed away on Wednesday, October 23, 2024, at the Samaritan Hospice in Voorhees, NJ with his wife by his side. He was the loving husband of Margaret Mary (Brady) Thomas; together they shared 53 years of a wonderful marriage and raised a beautiful family. Born on May 19, 1943, in Philadelphia, PA, he was the son of the late James E. and Mary Helen Thomas.

Chalie was raised in Southwest Philadelphia and was a long-time parishioner of St. Clement's Church, where he served as a Eucharistic Minister, coached CYO basketball and softball, and was an assistant girls' basketball coach for West Catholic High School. He was the maître d' at Old Original Bookbinder's in Philadelphia for over 30 years, which led to many stories of meeting celebrities, tales of his eclectic colleagues, and his love for snapper soup. Later, he was employed by Recon Automotive and retired in 2008.

Chalie was an avid and enthusiastic Philadelphia Sports fan, a critic of all umpires, referees, and officials, an advocate for girls' sports, a devout Roman Catholic, praying the rosary daily, and was a private chauffer for Margaret Mary. Above all, he was a doting father and grandfather who loved spending time with his family.

Chalie is survived by his four loving children, Karen Kibler (Scott) of Bellmawr,

NJ, Charles Jr. (Jennifer) of Deptford, NJ, Denise Cassel (James) of Mt. Gretna, PA, and Megan Neville (Donald) of Deptford, NJ; adoring sisters, Johanna Wissert of Hammonton, NJ and Mary Preston of Norwood, PA and his beloved grandchildren, Cori (Andrew), Scottie, Brady, MaryGrace, Gavin, James, and Peyton, and great-grandson, Wyatt. He was preceded in death by his brother, James Thomas.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a viewing on Sunday, November 3, 2024 from 5pm to 7pm in The Chapel at BOUCHER FUNERAL HOME, 1757 Delsea Dr. Deptford, NJ 08096.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Monday, November 4, 2024, 11AM at Holy Angels Parish at St. Patrick's RC Church, 86 Cooper Street. Woodbury, NJ 08096.

Interment New St. Mary's Cemetery and Mausoleum, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research <https://www.michaeljfox.org/> or to The Dementia Society of America <https://dementiasociety.charityproud.org/donate>.

For condolences, please visit [www.boucherfuneralhome.com](http://www.boucherfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Viewing

NOV 3. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

The Chapel at Boucher Funeral Home, LLC  
1757 Delsea Drive  
Deptford, NJ 08096  
(856) 464-1097  
staff@boucherfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.boucherfuneralhome.com/>

## A Mass of Christian Burial

NOV 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Angels Parish at St. Patrick's RC Church  
86 Cooper Street  
Woodbury, NJ 08096  
(856) 845-0123

## Interment

NOV 4. 12:30 PM (ET)

New St. Mary's Cemetery & Mausoleum  
515 W. Browning Road  
Bellmawr, NJ 08031  
(856) 931-1570

# Tribute Wall



“ *Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & Gloucester County Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Charles J. Thomas, Sr.*



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**Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & County Cremation Service** - November 01, 2024 at 01:13 PM

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“ *Jim and Kelly Godfrey purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Charles J. Thomas, Sr..*



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**Jim and Kelly Godfrey** - November 01, 2024 at 09:49 PM

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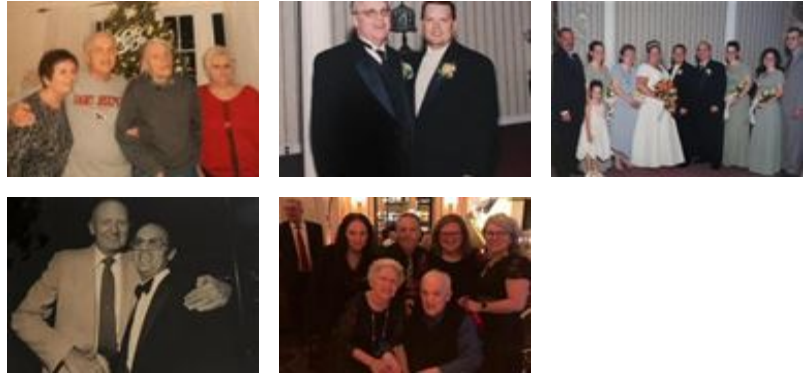
“ *Jim and Kelly Godfrey planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charles J. Thomas, Sr..*

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**Jim and Kelly Godfrey** - November 01, 2024 at 09:49 PM



“ 99 files added to the album Life Tributes



Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & County Cremation Service - October 31, 2024 at 03:33 PM



“ Deptford Library Staff and Board purchased the Fantasia for the family of Charles J. Thomas, Sr..



Deptford Library Staff and Board - October 31, 2024 at 02:08 PM

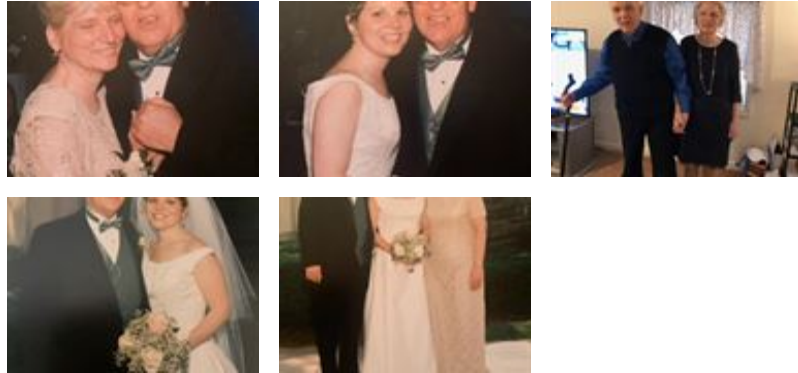


“ Deptford Library Staff and Board planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charles J. Thomas, Sr..

Deptford Library Staff and Board - October 31, 2024 at 02:08 PM



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Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & County Cremation Service - October 31, 2024 at 10:58 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Charles J. Thomas, Sr..

October 29, 2024 at 03:54 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Charles J. Thomas, Sr..



October 29, 2024 at 03:54 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Charles J. Thomas, Sr..

October 29, 2024 at 03:48 PM



“ *Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Charles J. Thomas, Sr..*



October 29, 2024 at 03:48 PM



“ *Charlie will be missed. Always a fun loving and dedicated husband and father, Charlie gave so much of his time to coaching kids, and helping the parrish. Rest in peace Charlie. You left a great legacy.*

**Kevin and Kathi Downs** - October 26, 2024 at 12:00 PM



“ *As cousins we had so many fun memories of our times being together when Charlie, and Harry would come stay and help on dad's farm. Along with my brothers Bill and John there was never a dull moment. They'd spend countless times teasing, joking, wrestling, and just having family fun. Chalie was the funniest of them all. Always a great jokester. There was lots of singing and plenty of music playing. Summers were full of laughs and hilarious playful antics. It was always loud but full of fun. There was always so much joy because Charlie loved to be silly and pull pranks. I can still remember hearing his infectious laughter. All of us cousins were as close as brothers and sisters. The great times spent with Chalie on our farm were priceless. Thanks for all the music and fun, Chalie!! With all our love, Bill, John, Sissy, Shirley and Elaine 🍷❤️*

**Shirley Long Pires** - October 26, 2024 at 10:32 AM

PA

“ Our regards go out to Mr Thomas’s family. He was our daughter’s basketball coach at St Clements. He was a very thoughtful and dedicated coach. He was such a nice guy. We hope that he is at peace now. May God rest his soul. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

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**Patty Aaron** - October 25, 2024 at 10:08 PM

RB

“ Chal, so sorry you had a rough few years, but you never complained about anything thrown your way. You handled everything with acceptance and grace. We are all proud of you and the man you were. You have earned a place near the presence of the Lord you adored. Thank you for the love you showed toward me and I will miss you forever. 💔 Love you Chal, Rosemarie

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**Rosemarie Brady** - October 25, 2024 at 08:45 PM

DI

“ Dear Margaret Mary and family, I am deeply saddened to learn of your loss. I know you have had a long and loving marriage and wonderful family. May our Lord be with all of you during your time of loss and sadness. He's in heaven where he'll be alive for all eternity. May you find comfort knowing how much others care for you. Sending much love. Love, Diane and Rick Kiewel

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**Diane** - October 25, 2024 at 06:48 PM