



## Walter H. Bellamy

April 7, 1958 - November 26, 2025

Walter Herschel Bellamy, 67, of Brookhaven, Pennsylvania, passed away on November 26, 2025.

Walter was born in Philadelphia, PA, on April 7, 1958. He was born to the late Deacon Charles Genesee and Deaconess Priscilla Bellamy. He was the 6th of eight children.

Walter graduated from Olney High School in 1976, where he received 2nd and 3rd Team All Public 1974 and 1975 for Football. His senior year he was selected to play in the All Star Public League of Philadelphia.

He went on to attend college at The Virginia Military Institute (VMI) where he received a full Athletic Scholarship for Football. In his time there, he built a legacy. Excelling in his military training, his participation as a member of the fellowship of Christian Athletes, Track and most of all, Football. Some of his accomplishments include his qualification for the 1980 Olympics for Track, and leading the VMI Keydets to the 1977 Southern Conference Championship.

In 1980, he was drafted into the NFL by the Atlanta Falcons and later signed as a free agent with the Oakland Raiders and the Michigan Panthers of the USFL. He went on to both play and coach in the Philadelphia Tough Touch Football League (PTTFL) for over 25 years.

In 1982, he met the love of his Life, his wife, Susan Ann Bellamy. Walt and Sue were married for over 39 years, raising two truly spectacular daughters. He was a proud Father and Grandfather (Poppop) to his 5 grandchildren, and they were the light of his life. He greatly enjoyed Sunday dinners with his family and dog, Nyla. Walt was a proud member of Maranatha Ministries, where he continued to develop his faith and relationship with God. He participated in community outreach and many service days.

Walter exemplified Integrity, Discipline, Excellence and Tenacity. He had this gift that allowed him to uplift and encourage every person he came across. He made you believe in yourself. Walt touched countless lives and was a mentor, confidant, and beloved friend to so many. He believed in the joy and richness of family and dedicated his life in service of others. He was known for his infectious smile and kind open heart. To know him was to love him.

Walter was predeceased by his parents, Deacon Charles Genesee Bellamy and Deaconess Priscilla Bellamy, His in-laws Edward and Joan Nace, his brothers John Gause, Charles Gause and Rev. Dr. Edward Bellamy, and his Son-in-Law Jamal M. Samah.

He is survived by: His loving wife, Susan Nace; his daughters Kimberly Nicole Samah and Kristin Renee Bellamy (Josh), and 5 grandchildren Sadie, Mae, Corinne, James, and Farrah. His sister Deborah Hopper (Jake), His brothers, Michael Bellamy (Nancy), Victor Bellamy (Marla), and Curtis Bellamy (Constance). He is survived by his sisters-in-laws, Ann Gause, Rev. Carlease Bellamy. Brother-in-law's Steve Nace (Kim) and Jim Nace (April) and many

nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family and friends.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a Viewing on Friday, December 5, 2025 from 9am to 10am at New Covenant Church, 7500 Germantown Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19119.

Service will be held at 10am at New Covenant Church. Repast Immediately Following. This service will be livestreamed and can be accessed by following this link: [https://www.youtube.com/live/qmB9a0Hr\\_B4](https://www.youtube.com/live/qmB9a0Hr_B4)

Interment Private.

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

# Previous Events

## Viewing

DEC 5. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

New Covenant Church  
7500 Germantown Ave  
Philadelphia, PA 19119

## Funeral Service

DEC 5. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

New Covenant Church  
7500 Germantown Ave  
Philadelphia, PA 19119

# Tribute Wall

VM

“ I cannot take away the pain from your loss, but I hope my words bring you comfort. May God Strengthen the family as you go through. Lean on HIM and HE will gradually ease the hurt. In your hearts, Walter H. Bellamy will always stay, loved and remembered by you every day.

VANESSA MILLER - December 05, 2025 at 02:06 AM

DM

“ I'm heartbroken to hear that my dear friend Walt Bellamy has transitioned. It still doesn't feel real. Walt was the kind of person who filled every room with warmth, laughter, and genuine kindness. He had a way of making everyone feel seen, valued, and appreciated- a rare gift that made him unforgettable. To Susan and the entire Bellamy family, my deepest condolences. I'm holding you in my thoughts and sending you strength during this difficult time. I will always remember Walt's generosity, his steady strength, and the countless moments we shared that now mean even more. The world feels different without him, but I'm grateful for the time we had and the impact he made on so many lives. Rest easy my friend. Thank you for everything. You will be deeply missed but never ever forgotten, Much love Donald Mason

Don Mason - December 04, 2025 at 04:28 PM

TZ

“ Tony Zoetis purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Walter H. Bellamy.



Tony Zoetis - December 04, 2025 at 08:48 AM

SH

“ *Sharmelle Hopkins purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Walter H. Bellamy.*



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**Sharmelle Hopkins** - December 04, 2025 at 04:11 AM

DH

“ To Susan, Kimberly, Kristin & Grandchildren,

*You are Walter's greatest loves and you were at the center of his joy.*

*It breaks our heart that our dear brother is no longer with us. Our family grieve with you and we share your loss because we love Walter also. We pray that God will comfort your hearts and provide you with all that you need during this difficult time. We pray that the memories of Walter and all that he was will be a source of strength to us all. Walt has always been there for all of his family. When we had a difficult situation he came to the rescue. When a family member was sick, Walt showed up and he made contributions that were significant and that made a difference. At the darkest and most difficult times, Walter was present to help us through and to help shoulder the weight. He was major hands on support in caring for our Parents and our siblings when they were ill and he was present at the most critical moments when our loved ones left this life and went home to be with the Lord. Walter's contributions to our family were huge and they were personal. When it was the worst of times, He was there to serve, encourage, to support, and to help carry the weight, all while being kind, patient, caring and understanding with no judgement toward anyone. He was dependable. He always gave more than was expected. His Light Shined. He never boasted about what he did or contributed. He just quietly made a difference and moved on. I wish that we had told him more often how much we loved him, how much we respected him and how much we appreciated him. Walt has left a void and hopefully, the memories of him will help fill that space. We will always remember him for the wonderful person that he was and we will love him always. He is gone from our sight but he will never be forgotten. He has left footprints of love and kindness on our hearts.*

*Love always,  
Deborah Hopper (sister)*

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**Deborah Hopper** - December 03, 2025 at 11:18 PM

AD

“ *Alexa and Dan purchased the Simply Elegant Sp  
athiphyllum for the family of Walter H. Bellamy.*



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**Alexa and Dan** - December 03, 2025 at 12:24 PM

DH

“ *Deborah Hopper lit a candle in memory of  
Walter Bellamy*



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**Deborah Hopper** - December 02, 2025 at 11:07 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of  
Walter H. Bellamy.*



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December 02, 2025 at 07:04 PM

CG

“ I was one of Walt's teammates and a Brother Rat during our years at VMI. I will always remember his kind, considerate and quiet demeanor off the field. He was a gentleman at all times. On the field he was arguably the best Safety to ever play football at VMI. His conditioning and athleticism were obvious to all of us who witnessed his very first practice. We knew he was special and a very unique talent. He was a team first guy and never sought individual attention despite his incredible success as a player. I haven't seen Walt in decades but his impression on all of us who knew him will be everlasting.....RIP Brother.....Chal Glenn

Chal Glenn - December 02, 2025 at 04:17 PM

AW

“ Brother Walt,

*Many congratulate you and honor you on a distinguished life of service to others. You have touched many more lives than imagined.*

*Rest in Peace brother, as we offer condolences to your precious family.,.,.,*

*Alex Woelper  
VMI 1980*

ALEX WOELPER - December 01, 2025 at 08:43 PM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Walter H. Bellamy.



December 01, 2025 at 04:48 PM

MN

“ Margaret N. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Walter H. Bellamy.

Margaret N. - December 01, 2025 at 02:40 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Walter H. Bellamy.



December 01, 2025 at 10:38 AM

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“ Love Niss (Narissia) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Walter H. Bellamy.

Love Niss (Narissia) - December 01, 2025 at 10:38 AM

MF

“ Michael McCray and family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Walter H. Bellamy.



Michael McCray and family - November 30, 2025 at 12:06 AM

MF

“ Michael McCray and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Walter H. Bellamy.

Michael McCray and family - November 30, 2025 at 12:06 AM

MM

“ Susan Bellamy and family my sincere condolences for your our loss. My God continue to bless keep you in His perfect peace love and joy. Blessings.

*From the Michael McCray and family.*

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**Michael McCray** - November 29, 2025 at 11:54 PM

JO

“ I met Walt 49 years ago, he was my freshman (Rat) roommate at VMI. The first night we had a sweat party and turned in at 10:00 p.m. but we talked till about 1:00 in the morning. From that day on, we remained close friends and always caught up to laugh and talk about college football and our days at VMI. I miss his confidence and encouragement. I believe the world is a better place because of Walt and I know I will see him again in heaven.

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**Jim O'Connor** - November 29, 2025 at 11:15 PM

MD

“ My heart goes out to all of you. Walt was a great man. I genuinely cherish each moment I had with him. He was very compassionate and kind, and made everyone feel welcome. I am blessed to have known Walt. Prayers that you all can find comfort and peace in your memories.

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**Maria Davis** - November 29, 2025 at 03:07 PM