



## Thomas W. Bilheimer

November 6, 2025

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Thomas W. Bilheimer, 77, of Bethlehem, passed away on November 6, 2025 at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg. Thomas was a social studies teacher at Liberty High School in the Bethlehem Area School District until his retirement. He was also a lecturer at DeSales University and Northampton Community College. He was a member of the Liberty High School Class of 1966 and Moravian College Class of 1970. Born in Bethlehem, he was the son of the late Willard H. and Jeanne (Herman) Bilheimer.

Mr. B., as many of his students knew him, leaves a legacy as an educator and mentor who touched the lives of thousands of students. His classroom was a space for lessons about history, life, and the eagerly anticipated Friday Jeopardy reviews.

Thomas's creative spirit manifested in many ways. A gifted musician, he shared his vocal talent as part of numerous choirs over the years. He found great joy in harmony and performance. His experiences traveling to Europe as a member of the Moravian College Choir were among his favorite memories. Beyond music, he was a talented photographer, capturing the beauty of the world around him. He was also a dedicated train enthusiast, dog lover, and avid golfer.

In his latter years, Thomas brightened the days of many with his characteristic daily Facebook posts, a joyful mix of clever puns, political commentary, history lessons, thoughtful observations, and pictures of his family and beloved dog, Charlie.

Survivors: Daughter, Christina L., wife of Gene T. Thrash of Germansville;  
Son: Willard H. Bilheimer of Allentown; Former wife: Margaret I. Bilheimer of Allentown; Brothers: John Bilheimer and wife Sherry of New Jersey and Robert Bilheimer of Bethlehem; Nieces and nephews; and Grandchildren: Bryce and Luke Thrash.

Services will be private.

In lieu of flowers, contributions honoring Thomas's lifelong dedication to music may be made in his memory to his alma mater, Moravian University—Music Department c/o Development Office 1200 Main St. Bethlehem, PA 18018.

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

# Tribute Wall

MB

“ You could hardly walk in your last two years, but to the end you fought on, pursuing any means that could restore your chance to walk without pain or to hit another golf ball! Your courage was remarkable as you endured every surgery and meds that sometimes made you feel worse! My heart cried out for you then, as it does today! I would have given anything to reduce your suffering. We walked in love in the beginning and I walked beside you in love at the end. I will miss our conversations.

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**Margaret Bilheimer** - November 21, 2025 at 08:16 AM

MK

“ Was with Tom when he made his hole in one. What a great day for Tom. Rest in peace for a great guy.

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**Mike Kashner** - November 18, 2025 at 08:48 PM

JD

“ I worked with Tom for many years. We had occasional breakfasts together. I am truly sorry for your loss as Tom will be missed by all!-  
Jerry D. from Florida

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**Jerry Damandl** - November 17, 2025 at 08:57 AM

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“ Anne P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas W. Bilheimer.

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**Anne P.** - November 15, 2025 at 05:44 PM

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“ Dear Entire Bilheimer Family, Our Thoughts and Prayers are with you All during this very Difficult Time!! Please know that Those you Love, Never Go Away... They Walk Beside You Every Day... The Memories will Live in Your/Our Hearts Forever!!! Perry White was Pretty Special... My Favorite Part of our Golf Outings was Always Reading His Summary of the Outing Along with the Pictures!!! NOBODY Does It Better!!! As you Enter the Golden Gates, Don't Forget your Clubs!!! They are Welcoming the BEST in the Business!!! May God Bless You All!!! God Bless, Rich & Millie Wescoe

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**Rich Wescoe** - November 13, 2025 at 12:53 PM