



Herbert James Berry

January 20, 1939 - January 11, 2026

Herbert James Berry son of the late Herbert James Berry, Sr. and Lillian Berry was born on January 20, 1939 in Philadelphia, PA, one of five children. He departed this life on Sunday, January 11, 2026, at Christiana Hospital, surrounded by family.

Herbert received his early education in the Philadelphia school district.

Herbert was united in Holy Matrimony to Dorothy Marie Battin, and from this union they were blessed with three daughters: Cynthia Ann Berry, Donna Lynn Berry, and Diane Denise Hagans.

Herbert was employed for many years and retired from NVF (National Vulcanized Fibre Company) as a Second-Class Machine Operator/Filter Operator in Yorklyn, Delaware.

Before his health declined, Herbert enjoyed watching classic westerns, playing dominos with his close friends Gerry Blevins, Sr. (Reds), Jerry Jackson, both Robert (Pete) Berry, barbequing, making sweet potato pies to distribute to family and friends, eating breakfast at I-Hop and spending time with family and friends.

Preceding him in death were his parents Herbert James Berry, Sr. and Lillian

Berry, his wife Dorothy Marie Berry, his daughter Donna Lynn Berry, and his brother Levi Berry.

He leaves to cherish his memory; two daughters Cynthia Ann Berry, Diane Denise Hagans (Donald Hagans); four grandchildren; Tye Berry, Brittney Hagans, Brianna Berry, and Desmond Hagans; one brother; Robert (Pete) Berry; two sisters; Elaine Frison and Sarah Crosby; sister-law Gwen Prescott-Berry, his best friend of 54 years Gerry Blevins, Sr, special friend Jean Beanson, and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN 30. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Ezion Fair Baptist Church
1400 B Street
Wilmington, DE 19801

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

CB

“ Cynthia Berry purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Herbert James Berry.



Cynthia Berry - January 28 at 09:30 PM

MJ

“ Diane, Cynthia, Ty and family
So sorry for the loss of your dad and
grandfather, have many memories from
Hockessin and the Royal Gems
Prayers for your family 🙏



Marlene Jackson - January 28 at 01:58 PM

LB

“ Love, Brittney purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Herbert James Berry.



Love, Brittney - January 27 at 11:41 AM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Herbert James Berry.



January 23 at 10:44 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Herbert James Berry.



January 20 at 03:42 PM



“ FFBA Management Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Herbert James Berry.

FFBA Management Team - January 20 at 03:42 PM



“ Daddy I can't believe you're gone. I am absolutely heartbroken, this hurts so much. You will be forever missed and always in my heart. No more pain, now you can rest in heavenly peace. I love you daddy.

Diane Hagans - January 19 at 09:48 AM



“ PopPop you will be forever missed & always in my heart . May you rest in eternal peace . I love you & miss you so much .

Love ,
Brittney

Brittney Hagans - January 17 at 10:12 AM

TB

“ *Pop-pop I miss you so much. Its feels so crazy to not have our midnight talks anymore or to watch tv with you before I would leave out to work. It was a pleasure and honor to help take care of you and if I had the choice I do it all over again. I love you and miss you like crazy. I'm truly heartbroken*



Tye Berry - January 16 at 02:28 PM