



## Jerome "Jerry" George Buescher

January 14, 2026

Jerome "Jerry" George Buescher was a devoted husband, beloved teacher, and loyal friend

whose life was marked by faith, service, and intellectual curiosity. He is survived by his wife of nearly twenty years, Peggy (née Hemingway).

A longtime resident of Philadelphia, Jerry was raised in Cincinnati, Ohio. He was predeceased

by his parents, George Edward Buescher and Mary Margaret (née Gibbons), and by his first

wife, Georganne (née Kretschman). He is also survived by his siblings: Joan Strom; Thomas

Buescher (Clara); Robert Buescher (Charlette); and Mary Ann Ashton (Peter).

Jerry began his academic journey at Duns Scotus College, a Franciscan seminary in Southfield,

Michigan, and later served briefly as a Franciscan friar. He went on to study microbiology and

immunology, earning his PhD from Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia, where he spent

his career as a faculty member and Assistant Professor until his recent retirement.

A man of deep faith, Jerry was an active and dedicated member of the Episcopal Church,

serving in many roles including the vestry, and as Secretary of the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania. During his missionary work in Guatemala, he formed lasting friendships.

Jerry was a longtime friend of Bill W and, for forty years, touched the lives of many through fellowship and shared purpose. Outside of his professional and spiritual life, he found joy in woodworking projects and experimenting with gourmet recipes. He also enjoyed his annual pilgrimage to Cape May, New Jersey, and his wife's excursions to the Victorian shops on Washington Square.

Relatives and friends are invited to his funeral service, May 30th, 2026 at Christ Church, 20 N. American Street, Philadelphia PA 19106. The family will receive friends in church from 10am-11am. Interment Christ Church Cemetery.

# Tribute Wall



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Jerome "Jerry" George Buescher.



May 29 at 11:00 PM



“ This is truly heartbreaking to hear, but also bittersweet, as Dr. Buescher was such an incredible and thoughtful person. I met him and his wife (Mrs. Dr. Buescher 😊) at TJU, just as I was starting my career. The two of them were amazing role models for what was then the young and scientifically hungry me.

Thank you for everything you've given to me as an unparalleled educator, and may you rest in peace, 'Mr. Dr. Buescher' ❤️

**Bernadette Wildemore** - February 04 at 12:45 PM



“ Susan Steele lit a candle in memory of Jerome "Jerry" George Buescher



**Susan Steele** - February 01 at 08:49 PM



I remember Jerry from Gloria Dei (Old Swedes) Church. He was a very nice man. Thoughts and prayers are with Peggy and family at this time.

**Susan Steele** - February 01 at 08:52 PM

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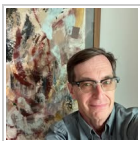
“ I have known Jerry for a long time, he was a great friend. He helped many people. If you asked Jerry anything he would give you a answer, he knew a lot.

Douglas - February 01 at 03:51 PM

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“ My sincerest condolences to Peg and all of our friends at Gloria Dei Church. You always taught me things about faith and spirituality when I didn't know. Thank you for your kindness.

kimberly goodwin - January 31 at 06:03 PM



“ He was one of the good guy. He will be missed. Love

Nils van Ammers - January 31 at 04:08 PM

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“ My deepest sympathy, Peggy. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Those that believe, know he is now whole, healthy and happy. He is watching over you. 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

Loretta Foster - January 31 at 02:04 PM

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