



Robert L. Bellem


February 6, 2026

Robert L. Bellem, 87 passed away on February 6, 2026. Born in Providence, he was the son of the late Lewis S. Bellem and Jean E. Bellem. He was a graduate of Worcester Academy and attended the University of RI. He served in the US Army Reserves attaining the rank of Sargent First Class. He had a career in electrical engineering, during which time his efforts led to the awarding of two US Patents. He was the long-term President and Owner of Coto Coil, a relay and coil manufacturer located in Providence and Cranston until his retirement. Bob was larger than life, a gruff exterior with a huge generous heart. A veteran, a successful businessman, Father, Grandfather, and Friend. His love of all things having to do with the sea – led to his enjoyment of boating and fishing up and down the east coast, a passion passed on to his sons and grandsons. His love of nature and the outdoors was a closely held passion as well and was a tremendous part of who he was and how he spent time enjoying the company of lifelong friends and family over his many years. Countless memories on the water and in the woods were made and stories recounted of the big ones caught and lost. An avid reader and wood worker, who spent countless hours lost in a book or working on projects in his shop at his beloved barn. He was a proud father and grandfather of his boys – an advisor, protector, and friend whose knowledge and wisdom will remain engrained in his family and live on as his legacy. He is survived by his sisters Carol and Sandy, his sons Brad, Todd and his wife Sue, and Scott as well as his grandchildren Parker, Joshua, and Tyler. Bob, Dad,

Grampi – Rest in peace and know that you were loved and will be greatly missed, a private family remembrance will be held at a later time.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Mr Bellem was larger than life , always there for his family and friends. So many memories of him in his happy place at the beach giving commentary on the world going by and always so kind to our kids as they learned to navigate life on the water and docks . We still have the picture he took of Mikey's first striper off the dock , I think Mr Bellem was prouder than us that day ! He will be missed - all our love to you all* 

Tanya and Mike Donahue - February 15 at 06:46 PM

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“ *Dad, your passing has left a void that cannot be filled. You were our family's anchor, a quiet force that guided us. Your kind and generous heart was a constant presence and provided wisdom, knowledge and encouragement whenever it was needed. I hope you knew how much you were loved and appreciated. We will miss and love you always-*

sue & todd - February 15 at 09:30 AM

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I am so sorry to hear of your father's passing. I dated Brad back in the day and knew your dad to be a strong family man and dedicated to his sons. May you and your family find peace and comfort.

Karen Marie - February 20 at 05:16 AM