

Official: Mafia hit man suspected in Whitey Bulger’s slaying

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BOSTON — A Mafia hit man who is said to hate “rats” is under suspicion in the slaying of former Boston crime boss and long-time FBI informant James “Whitey” Bulger, who was found dead hours after he was transferred to a West Virginia prison, an ex-investigator briefed on the case said Wednesday.

The former official said that Fotios “Freddy” Geas and at least one other inmate are believed to have been involved in Bulger’s killing. The longtime investigator was not authorized to discuss the matter and spoke on condition of anonymity.

Authorities have not disclosed the cause of death.

Among the many unanswered questions after Bulger was found dead on Tuesday: Why was he moved to the prison? And why was a frail 89-year-old like Bulger — a known “snitch” — placed in the general population instead of more protective housing?

Attorney Hank Brennan said Bulger had a hip injury and was in a wheelchair when he was attacked. Brennan represented Bulger during his 2013 trial.

Geas, 51, and his brother were sentenced to life in prison in 2011 for their roles in several violent crimes, including the 2003 killing of Adolfo “Big Al” Bruno, a Genovese crime family boss who was gunned down in a Springfield, Massachusetts, parking lot.

Private investigator Ted McDonough, who knew Geas, told *The Boston Globe*: “Freddy hated rats.”



Don Treeger /The Republican via AP
In this April 14, 2009 photo, Fotios “Freddy” Geas appears for a court proceeding in his defense in the Al Bruno murder case in Springfield, Mass.



Bulger

“Freddy hated guys who abused women. Whitey was a rat who killed women. It’s probably that simple,” McDonough told the newspaper, which first reported that Geas was under suspicion.

It was not clear whether Geas has an attorney. Several other lawyers who represented him over the years didn’t immediately respond to a request for comment.

An FBI spokeswoman in Pittsburgh declined to comment on Geas. Federal officials said only that they are investigating the death as a homicide.

“What I don’t understand is why the Federal Bureau of Prisons would transfer a super high-publicity inmate, who is a known snitch, to general population of a high-security prison,” said Cameron

Lindsay, a former federal prison warden who now works as a jail security consultant. “You’ve got to be smarter than that.”

He added: “If I was the warden of Hazelton, I would have never, ever allowed him to be put within my general population. It is just too risky.”

Bulger’s death was the third killing in the past six months at the prison, where union officials have raised concerns about dozens of vacant jobs. Two inmates were killed in fights with other prisoners in September and April.

Five members of Congress wrote to Attorney General Sessions last week about what they saw as chronic understaffing at USP Hazelton and other federal prisons.

Bulger led South Boston’s Irish mob for decades and became an FBI informant who supplied information on the New England Mafia, his gang’s main rival, in an era when bringing down the Italian mob was a top national priority for the bureau.

Tipped off that he was about to be indicted, Bulger became a fugitive and eluded authorities for 16 years before being captured in 2011. He was convicted in 2013 in 11 underworld slayings and a long list of other crimes and was sentenced to spend the rest of his life behind bars.

He had just arrived Monday at USP Hazelton, a high-security prison in Bruceton Mills, West Virginia. He had previously been in a prison in Florida, with a stopover at a transfer facility in Oklahoma City. Federal Bureau of Prisons officials and his attorney declined to comment on why he was being moved.



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Pittsburgh police stand guard as the casket of Irving Younger, 69, is wheeled from Congregation Rodef Shalom after his funeral on Wednesday in Pittsburgh. Younger was one of the 11 victims killed in the deadly shooting at a synagogue.

Synagogue rampage suspect indicted on 2nd day of funerals

By **MARYCLAIRE DALE**
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PITTSBURGH — The suspect in the Pittsburgh synagogue massacre was indicted by a federal grand jury Wednesday, and members of a grief-stricken Jewish community endured another round of funerals for victims of the worst anti-Semitic attack in American history.

Robert Bowers, a 46-year-old truck driver who authorities say raged against Jews as he gunned down 11 and wounded six, was charged in a 44-count indictment with murder, hate crimes and other offenses that could bring the death penalty. The indictment, which was expected, was announced on the second day of a weeklong series of funerals for congregants who perished in the mass shooting at Tree of Life synagogue.

“Today begins the process of seeking justice for the victims of these hateful acts, and healing for the victims’ families, the Jewish community, and our

city,” U.S. Attorney Scott Brady said in a statement. “Our office will spare no resource, and will work with professionalism, integrity and diligence, in a way that honors the memories of the victims.”

One after another, services were held for three more victims of the rampage: Joyce Fienberg, 75; Melvin Wax, who was in his late 80s, and Irving Younger, 69.

“It can’t be fixed,” Robert Libman said at his sister’s funeral, clutching his chest as he described the pain of losing her. “My sister is dead. My sister was murdered. There was no one I know like her. Pure goodness. ... She was the most tolerant and gentle person that I’ve ever known.”

Fienberg’s sons, Anthony, of Paris, and Howard, of Vienna, Virginia, said she spent five years caring for their father as he battled cancer, then, after his death a few years ago, devoted more of her time and energy to Tree of Life. She was a retired researcher at the University of Pittsburgh.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON & EVENING

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FOX	11	Outback Advent.	Divorce Court	Steve!		Judge Mathis (N)		The People's Court		Paid Program	NFL Pre-game (L)	:20 NFL Football Stadium -- Santa Clara, Calif. (L)	:20 NFL Football Oakland Raiders at San Francisco 49ers Site: Levi's					Last Man St.	Unsung Heroes	First at Ten (N)	:35 Dateline		:35 Mike & Molly		
KPTV	3	News	OutSpce	Wendy Williams		Truth	Truth	People's Court (N)		Judy	PreGame	:20 NFL Football Oakland Raiders at San Francisco 49ers (L)						News	Feud	Feud	Feud	News (N)	News	Page Six	
KEPR	2	FunnyAsK	Bold & B.	The Talk (N)		Let's Make a Deal		Dr. Phil		Judge Judy	Judge Judy	News (N)	News (N)	News (N)	Inside Edition	The Big Bang	The Simpsons	The Big Bang (N)	Sheldon	Mom (N)	Murphy B. (N)	S.W.A.T. "Never Again" (N)	News (N)	:35 Colbert	
KOIN	19	Local 6	8 & B	The Talk (N)		The 700 Club		Dr. Phil		News (N)		News	News	News	News	Extra	ET (N)	BBang	Sheldon	Mom (N)	Murphy B. (N)	S.W.A.T. (N)	News	Colbert	
NBC	25	TMZ	Paid Program	Days of Our Lives		The Wendy Williams Show		Daily Mail TV	Daily Mail TV	Ellen DeGeneres Rami Malek (N)		News	News (N)	News (N)	Family Feud	Wheel (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	Superstore	GoodPlace (N)	W&G-race (N)	I Feel Bad (N)	Law&Order: SVU "Caretaker" (N)	News (N)	:35 Tonight	
KGW	8	News	Paid	Days of Our Lives		The Dr. Oz Show		E.DeGeneres (N)		KGW News (N)		News	News	KGW News (N)	Cassidy	InsEd.	Super	GoodPla	WGrace	iFeelBad	Law&O: SVU (N)	News	Tonight		
ABC	42	GMA Day (N)		General Hospital		The Doctors		The Rachael Ray Show		The Dr. Oz Show		News (N)	News (N)	News (N)	News (N)	ET (N)	Extra	Grey's Anatomy (N)	Station 19 "Do a Little Harm..." (N)	With Murder "We Can Find Him" (N)	News (N)	:05 Jimmy Kimmel			
KATU	5	GMA Day (N)		General Hospital		Afternoon Live		Million?	Million?	KATU News (N)		News	News	News (N)		Jeop. (N)	Wheel	Grey's A. (N)	Station 19 (N)	With Murder (N)	News	Kimmel			
PBS	31	Amanpour & Company	Test Kitchen	Knit and Crochet		Esmond de Tech.	Pink-Peter	Nature Cat	Ready Jet Go!	Wild Kratts	Odd Squad	Arthur	Business (N)	PBS NewsHour (N)	Nature "Giraffes: Africa's Gentle Giants"		GI Jews: Jewish Americans in World War II				Red Green	Amanpour & Company (N)			
OPB	59	Architecture	Sara's Meals	A Chef's Life	Wild Nevada	Nature Cat	Cat in the Hat	Ready Jet Go!	Arthur	Odd Squad	Odd Squad	Wild Kratts	Wild Kratts	Craft "Spain" (N)	Business	PBS NewsHour (N)	Art Beat (N)	Oregon (N)	Midsomer M. "The Glitch"	:35 Masterpiece Theatre "Prime Suspect: Tension"					

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CABLE	A&E	52	The First 48	PD Cam	PD Cam	Live PD						Live PD						Live PD (L)				PD Cam	PD Cam	PD Cam	PD Cam	
	AMC	60	★★★ The Last Samurai	★★★ Rambo: First Blood Part II		★★★ Rambo: First Blood		★★★ Rambo: First Blood				★★★ Under Siege ('92, Act) Steven Seagal.						★★★ Escape Plan ('13, Act) Sylvester Stallone.				★★★ The Rock				
	ANPL	24	The Vet Life	R. Mountain Vet	Pit Bull Parolees	Pit Bull Parolees	Pit Bull Parolees	Treehouse	Treehouse	Treehouse	Treehouse	Treehouse	Treehouse	Treehouse	Treehouse	Treehouse	Treehouse	Treehouse	Big Cat Tales (N)	It's The Irwins		The Steve Irwin Story				
	CMT	43	Home I.	Home I.	Home I.	Home I.	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	★★★ Good Will Hunting ('97, Dra) Matt Damon.					★★★ Good Will Hunting ('97, Dra) Matt Damon.						Cops		
	CNBC	72	Closing Bell				Fast Money		Mad Money		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Beyond the Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank		Beyond the Tank		Paid	Paid		
	CNN	68	CNN Newsroom	The Lead			The Situation		The Situation		OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Cuomo		CNN Tonight	CNN Tonight	A. Cooper 360		Cuomo		CNN Tonight			
	DISC	51	Alaska/Frontier	Alaska/Frontier	Alaska/Frontier		Alaska/Frontier		Alaska/Frontier		Bush People		Bush People		Bush People		Bush People		Bush People (N)	To Be Announced	Bush People		Bush People		Bush People	
	DISN	26	Puppy	Puppy	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	DuckTal.	BigCity	Gravity	Raven's.	Raven's.	Raven's.	Raven's.	Raven's.	Raven's.	Raven's.	Raven's.	Raven's.	Raven's.	Raven's.	Raven's.	Raven's.	Raven's.	Raven's.	Raven's.	
	ESPN	33	NBA: The Jump (L)	H.Noon	Highly?		Horn (N) Interrupt		SportsCenter (N)		Football	NCAA Football Temple at Central Florida (L)					SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
	ESPN2	34	NFL Live (N)	Talk (L)			Football	Highly?	Horn (N) Interrupt		SportsCenter (N)		Poker World Series	MLS Soccer Playoffs (L)			DRL (N)		DRL (N)		Marty&McGee (N)	Horn	Interrupt			
	FNC	66	Shepard Smith	Your World			The Five		Special Report		The Story		Tucker Carlson	Hannity		Ingraham Angle		Fox News	Tucker Carlson	Hannity		Ingraham Angle				
	FOOD	61	Cake	Cake	Pioneer	Pioneer	BeatPlay	BeatPlay	BeatPlay	BeatPlay	BeatPlay	BeatPlay	BeatPlay	BeatPlay	BeatPlay	BeatPlay	Chopped		Sexiest (P) (N)	Chopped	BeatPlay	BeatPlay	BeatPlay	BeatPlay	BeatPlay	
	FREE	32	The Boat	The Boat	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	
	FX	65	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	★★★ Spectre ('15, Act) Christoph Waltz, Daniel Craig.		★★★ Deadpool ('16, Act) Ryan Reynolds.									★★★ Daddy's Home Will Ferrell.		★★★ Daddy's Home Will Ferrell.					
	GOLF	88	Driver	PGA Tour	Pregame	PGA Golf	Shriners Hospitals for Children Open (L)		Golf C.		PGA Golf	Shriners Hospitals for Children Open							LPGA Golf Japan Classic Site: Seta Golf Course (L)		PGA Golf					
	GSN	76	The Chase	Caroline	Feud		Am.Says	Am.Says	Feud	Feud	Feud	Feud	Feud	Feud	Feud	Feud	Feud	Feud	CashCb	CashCb	Feud	Feud	Am.Says	Reaction	Idiotest	Idiotest
	HALL	87	Home and Family				★ The Most Wonderful Time of th...		★ Christmas at Holly Lodge		★ A December Bride Daniel Lissing.								★ Marry Me at Christmas		★ Christmas Getaway Bridget Regan.					
	HGTV	62	Fixer Upper	FlipVega	FlipVega	FlipVega	FlipVega	FlipVega	FlipVega	FlipVega	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipATL	FlipATL	H.Hunt	House	H.Hunt	H.Hunt
	HIST	50	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Mountain Men	Mountain Men	Mountain Men (N)	:05 Swamp (N)	:05 Mountain Men			
	LIFE	29	The First 48	The First 48	The First 48		Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		★★★ Sleeping With the Enemy		★★★ Hancock ('08, Act) Will Smith.		★★★ No One Would Tell			
	NICK	27	TopWing	PAW	Machines	Machines	PAW	PAW	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	iCarly	Sponge	★ The SpongeBob	Movie: Sponge ...	Friends	Friends		
	ROOT	37	Paired	Paired	The Dan Patrick Show (N)		NCAA Field Hockey ACC Tournament		NCAA Field Hockey ACC Tournament		NCAA Field Hockey ACC Tournament		NCAA Field Hockey ACC Tournament		NCAA Field Hockey ACC Tournament		NCAA Field Hockey ACC Tournament		NCAA Field Hockey ACC Tournament		NCAA Field Hockey ACC Tournament		Press (N) Press	Fantasy FB (N)		
	SPIKE	42	Bar Rescue	2½Men	2½Men	2½Men	2½Men	2½Men	2½Men	2½Men	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
	SYFY	67	★ Oculus ('14, Hor)	Karen Gillan.			:15 ★ The Haunting in Connecticut		:15 ★ Tremors 6: A Cold Day in Hell										★★★ Planet of the Apes Mark Wahlberg.		★★★ Colombiana Zoe Saldana.		★★★ Skyfall			
TBS	59	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Am.Dad	Am.Dad	Am.Dad	Am.Dad	Fam.Guy	Fam.Guy	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld		
TCM	56	Movie	:45 ★★ Brainstorm			:45 ★★ Clash of the Titans Laurence Olivier.				Short Films		:15 ★ Where Are My Child...	:45 Short Films	:15 ★ The Call of the Cum...												
TLCL	49	Say Yes	Say Yes	L.I. Medium		Long Is. Medium		Gypsy Wedd		Gypsy Wedd		Say Yes	Say Yes	90 Day Fiancé		To Be Announced	The Little Couple	The Little Couple	The Little Couple	The Little Couple	The Little Couple	The Little Couple	The Little Couple	The Little Couple		
TNT	57	Supernatural	Supernatural	Bones		Bones		Bones		NBA Basketball Milwaukee vs Boston (L)		NBA Basketball Milwaukee vs Boston (L)		NBA Basketball Milwaukee vs Boston (L)		NBA Basketball Milwaukee vs Boston (L)		NBA Basketball Milwaukee vs Boston (L)		NBA Basketball Milwaukee vs Boston (L)		NBA Basketball Milwaukee vs Boston (L)		NBA Basketball Milwaukee vs Boston (L)		
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USA	58	NCIS	NCIS	"In the Zone"		NCIS		NCIS		NCIS "Caged"		NCIS "Rogue"		NCIS "Being Bad"		NCIS		NCIS "High Tide"		NCIS		NCIS "Family Ties"		The Purge		
WE	118	Law & Order: C.I.	Law & Order: C.I.	Law & Order: C.I.		Law & Order: C.I.		Law & Order: C.I.		Growing Up Hip H		Growing Up Hip H		Growing Up Hip H		Growing Up Hip H		Growing Up Hip H		Growing Up Hip H		Growing Up Hip H		Growing Up Hip H	Growing Up Hip H	
WGN		In Heat of Night	Blue Bloods			Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods		Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	
PREMIUM	HBO	518	★★★ Mickey Blue Eyes	:45 ★★ Knight and Day ('10, Act)		:35 ★★ Four Christmases		:05 ★★ Maze Runner: The Death Cure		News		★★★ Fifty Shades Darker		The Deuce		The Deuce		The Deuce		The Deuce		Last Wk	★ Kingsman: The Golden ...			
	HBO2	520	Fists	:50 ★★ Annapolis James Franco.		:35 ★★ New Jack City		:20 ★★ Murder on the Orient Express		:15 Baltimore Rising								Frances McDormand.		★★★ The Lost Boys		:45 ★★ Atomic Blonde				
	HBO3	521	Movie	★ Sleight Jacob Latimore.		★ The Greatest Showman		:50 ★★ Jennifer's Body Megan Fox.		:35 ★★ Analyze This		:20 ★★ Fargo		★★★ The Invention		:40 ★★ The Beguiled (N)										
	MAX	549	★★★ Jupiter Ascending			:15 ★★ The Final Destination		:40 ★★ The Silence of the Lambs		:40 ★★ Conspiracy Theory Mel Gibson.																
	SHOW	578	Movie	★ Confessions of a Teen...		★★★ Moonrise Kingdom		TheCirc.	:15 ★★ Throw Momma Fr...		:45 Ray Donovan		:45 ★★ Mistic Pizza Julia Roberts.		★ Bridget Jones's Baby											
	STARZ	621	:15 ★ Mark Felt: The Man Who Br...				★★★ The Wedding Planner		:45 ★★ X-Men: The Last Stand		★★★ Fantastic Four		:20 ★★ Juno ('07, Com) Ellen Page.		★★★ The Wedding Planner		:45 ★★ The Producers									
STZENC	644	:20 ★★ Gridiron Gang				★★★ Urban Cowboy		:45 ★★ A Knight's Tale Heath Ledger.																		

THURSDAY LATE NIGHT & FRIDAY MORNING

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FOX	11	:05 Mike & Molly	:35 Two 1/2 Men	:05 CR TV Featuring a selection of products and services.								CR TV		AgDay	The Game	Good Day (N)				Providence	Providence	Live PD: Patrol	Live PD: Patrol	Chicago "What Do You Do?"			
	3	TMZ Live!		Celebrity Page	2 Broke Girls	2 Broke Girls	King of Queens	Paid Program	Paid Program	This Minute	News (N)	Good Day Oregon at 5 a.m. (N)		Good Day Oregon at 6 a.m. (N)		Good Day Oregon (N)			MORE Good Day Oregon (N)		MORE Good Day Oregon (N)		The Rachael Ray Show				
CBS	19	Colbert (N)	:35 James Corden	:35 Paid Program	:05 CBS Overnight News						Morning News	News (N)	News (N)	News (N)	News (N)	CBS This Morning (N)				Pickler & Ben		The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless			
	19	Colbert (N)	:35 James Corden	:35 News	:05 CBS Overnight News						News (N)	News (N)	KOIN 6 News at 5 a.m. (N)		KOIN 6 News at 6 a.m. (N)		CBS This Morning (N)			Let's Make a Deal		The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless			
NBC	25	6	Tonight Show	:35 Late Night With Seth Meyers	:35 Last Call	:05 Today Show		Early Today	Early Today	Early Today	Wake Up	Northwest (N)				Today Show (N)			Megyn Kelly Today (N)		Today (N)		Millionaire?		Hot Bench		
	8	Tonight Show	:35 Late Night With Seth Meyers	:35 Last Call	:05 Steve!		Early Today	Early Today	Early Today	News (N)	KGW News at Sunrise (N)		KGW News at Sunrise (N)		Today Show (N)			Megyn Kelly Today (N)		Today (N)		Daily Blast		Daily Blast			
ABC	42	4	:05 Nightl.	:35 This Minute	:05 Pat. Court	:35 ABC World News Now Featuring the morning's top stories and breaking news from around the world.					America Morning	News (N)	News (N)	News (N)	News (N)	Good Morning America (N)				Live Sarah Jessica Parker		The View		Paid Program		This Minute	
	5	Jimmy Kimmel	:35 Nightl.	:05 Paid Program	:35 Paid Program	:05 ABC World News Now					News (N)	News (N)	KATU News This Morning (N)				Good Morning America (N)			AM Northwest		The View		Live Sarah Jessica Parker			
PBS	31	KTNW	Doc Martin "Don't Let Go"	Pres. Debate 2008	Doctor Blake "All She Leaves Behind"		Sinking Cities "New York"		Nature		Nova "The Ghosts of Murdered Kings"		Esmon-de Tech.	Happy Yoga	Ready Jet Go!	Cat in the Hat	Sesame Street	Super WHY!	Dinosaur Train	Peg + Cat	Daniel Tiger	Splash & Bubbles	Curious George	Sit and Be Fit			
	59	OPB	13	PBS NewsHour	Nature	Nova "The Ghosts of Murdered Kings"		Sinking Cities "New York"		Things That Go Bump		Nightly Business	World News	Esmon-de Tech.	Wild Kratts	Nature Cat	Curious George	Pink Panther	Daniel Tiger	Daniel Tiger	Splash & Bubbles	Sesame Street	Super WHY!	Dinosaur Train	Bob the Builder		