

# Swing Otto Swing: The Enigmatic Rise and Fall of Baseball's Most Controversial Star

Otto Graham was one of the most enigmatic and controversial stars in the history of baseball. A brilliant athlete, he was a two-time NFL champion with the Cleveland Browns and a one-time MLB All-Star. But his career was also marred by scandal and controversy, and he died in disgrace at the age of 43.



## Swing, Otto, Swing! by David Milgrim

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In his new book, *Swing Otto Swing*, David Milgrim tells the fascinating and tragic story of Otto Graham's life and career. Drawing on extensive research and interviews with Graham's family and friends, Milgrim paints a vivid portrait of a複雑な and troubled man.

Graham was born in Waukegan, Illinois, in 1921. He was a gifted athlete from a young age, and he excelled in both football and baseball. After graduating from high school, he attended Northwestern University, where he was a star football player. In 1943, he signed a contract with the Cleveland Browns of the NFL.

Graham quickly became one of the most dominant players in the NFL. He led the Browns to two championships in 1946 and 1947, and he was named the NFL's Most Valuable Player in 1946. In 1948, he switched to baseball and signed a contract with the New York Giants.

Graham was a successful baseball player, but he never achieved the same level of success that he had in football. He played for the Giants for three seasons, and he was an All-Star in 1951. In 1952, he was traded to the Pittsburgh Pirates, and he played for them for two seasons before retiring in 1954.

After retiring from baseball, Graham worked as a coach and a sportscaster. He also became involved in politics, and he served as the mayor of White Plains, New York, from 1967 to 1969.

Graham's life was cut short in 1969 when he died of a heart attack at the age of 43. He was elected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1965, and he was inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1983.

Swing Otto Swing is a fascinating and well-researched account of the life and career of Otto Graham. Milgrim's book is a must-read for any fan of baseball or football history.

**Image of Otto Graham**



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- [Otto Graham on the Pro Football Hall of Fame website](#)
- [Otto Graham on Baseball-Reference.com](#)



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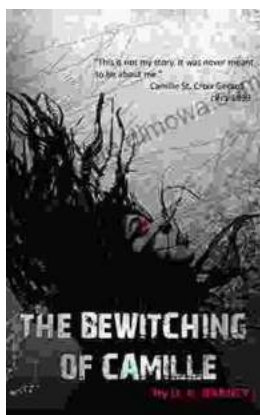
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