



## Herbert Arnold Akers

February 1, 1927 - June 19, 2016

ROCK - Herbert Arnold Akers, 89, of Rt. 1, Rock died Sunday, June 19, 2016. Born February 1, 1927 at Widemouth he was the son of the late Boyd Akers and Cordie Moye Akers.

He was a 1945 graduate of Matoaka High School. He was a U. S. Army veteran of World War II and was a former coal miner. He received degrees from West Virginia Wesleyan College, Radford College and Marshall University then taught at Bramwell and Matoaka high schools. He pastored Wesley Chapel and ministered at various local churches.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by one daughter-in-law, Gail Akers and one grandson, Bret Akers; three brothers, Ray Akers, Clifford Akers and Willis Akers and three sisters, Ennis Akers, Ruby Davis and Delores Steele.

Survivors include his wife of 68 years, Drema Shrewsbury Akers; five children, Harvey Akers and wife Marquita of Rock, Stephen Akers and wife Debbie of Rock, Marietta Buckner and husband Benny of Princeton, Becky Dunford and husband Kevin of Lashmeet and Wanda Kaye Johnson and husband Gary of Rock; five grandchildren, Mark Dye, Jr., Jessica Chandler, Gabriel Wood, Michael Dye and Keith Johnson and five great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11:00 a.m. Friday, June 24, 2016 at the Rowland H. Bailey Funeral Chapel with Rev. Larry Dyer officiating. Interment will follow at Wesley Chapel Cemetery on Wright Mountain. Military graveside honors will be conducted by the Mercer County Veterans Honor Guard. Grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

Friends may visit with the family from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, June 23 at the Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton.

Arrangements by Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.bailey-kirk.com](http://www.bailey-kirk.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Wesley Chapel Cemetery

Wright Mountain  
Rock, WV 24747

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **23.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home  
1612 Honaker Avenue  
Princeton, WV 24740  
(304) 425-8176  
info@bailey-kirk.com  
<https://www.bailey-kirk.com>

## Funeral Service

JUN **24.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home  
1612 Honaker Avenue  
Princeton, WV 24740  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Herbert Arnold Akers*

December 27, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Cindy Campbell lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers*



**Cindy Campbell** - July 12, 2016 at 09:49 AM



“ *Mr. Akers was my History teacher, he taught me more than history. He help me get started on my life journey.*  
*Stephen DeHart*

**Stephen DeHart** - July 09, 2016 at 06:57 AM



“ *Debbie Bello lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers*



**Debbie Bello** - June 25, 2016 at 11:12 PM

PB

“ Pam Bowling lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers



Pam Bowling - June 24, 2016 at 10:30 AM

PB

Marietta I'm so sorry, I know its been a long hard road but now there is peace. May God bless you and your family

Pam Bowling - June 24, 2016 at 10:32 AM



“ So sorry for your loss, I know he's walking with Jesus, asking Jesus to send him family favor.

Beverly Wood - June 23, 2016 at 11:33 PM

LR

“ Lagena Reynolds lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers



Lagena Reynolds - June 23, 2016 at 08:36 PM

BJ

“ Barry Jenkins lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers



Barry Jenkins - June 23, 2016 at 07:36 PM

BJ

*Rina and I are deeply sorry to hear of Mr. Akers passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you*

**Barry Jenkins** - June 23, 2016 at 07:39 PM

RC

“*Mrs. Akers, Harvey, Steven, Marietta, Rebecca & Wanda Kaye, My heartfelt sympathy on your loss of Mr. Akers. He was always a good Christian neighbor to my parents. Fond memory I have of Mr. Akers is when ever my sister's and I would be outside playing as children and if he saw us he would toot his car horn and wave with a smile. May God bless you and comfort you.*

*Rachel (Shrewsbury) Coan  
Gainesville, VA*

**Rachel (Shrewsbury) Coan** - June 23, 2016 at 06:33 PM

DB

*So sorry for your loss! He was truly an awesome and Godly man.*

**Donna Baran** - June 26, 2016 at 09:29 AM

FR

“*Frances Brannen Rinehart lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers*



**Frances Brannen Rinehart** - June 23, 2016 at 04:40 PM

JW

“ I am sorry to hear of the loss of Mr. Akers. He was a special person. I have prayed for him and the whole family for years, so now I will continue to pray for Dreama and the rest of the family, all of you are special to me and I care for each of you. Love to you all, Joan Williams

Joan Williams - June 23, 2016 at 04:38 PM

KM

“ Kathy And Harless Martin lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers



Kathy and Harless Martin - June 23, 2016 at 04:20 PM

KM

Mrs. Akers and Family, We are so sorry for the loss of Mr. Akers. He was a kind and caring soul. He raised 5 of the nicest sons and daughters you could ask for and they are a living testament to the kind of man he was. May God wrap you in his loving arms and give you comfort.

Kathy and Harless Martin - June 23, 2016 at 04:39 PM

RW

“ On behalf of the Bailey Family I grieve for his loss. To all his family a hug. He will be remembered fondly and with love.

Ricky Weinberg  
son of  
Ella Mae Bailey and Murray Weinberg.

Ricky Weinberg - June 23, 2016 at 12:42 PM



“ *Fruits and Blooms Basket was purchased for the family of Herbert Arnold Akers.*



June 23, 2016 at 12:35 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Herbert Arnold Akers.*



June 23, 2016 at 09:41 AM



“ *Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Herbert Arnold Akers.*



June 23, 2016 at 09:02 AM



“ *Arlene & Buddy Midkiff lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers*



**Arlene & Buddy Midkiff** - June 23, 2016 at 07:44 AM

JR

“ Dear Mrs Akers and family, We are so very sorry for your loss. May God wrap his loving arms around each one of you and give you comfort. Mr Akers was a beautiful man, who is now walking the streets of gold. We will walk with him some day and have a joyful reunion. Much love to all, Jo Ann and Perry Rucker.

Jo Ann Rucker - June 23, 2016 at 04:24 AM

EB

“ Mrs. Akers, Becky, Wanda, Marietta, Harvey and Steve, I'm very sorry for the passing of Mr. Akers and pray the Lord's peace and comfort to your hearts in the days ahead. Before I had him as my History teacher, I'd never heard of WV History, but I'll always remember the enthusiasm in his voice and the excitement in his eyes as he told of the wonders of our beloved state. God Bless you.

Emma Bennett - June 23, 2016 at 12:02 AM

WO

“ Wilma Odell lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers



wilma odell - June 22, 2016 at 11:30 PM

WO

we are all blessed to have such great man in our community to keep a memory of the aker's family..he was truly a blessing to everyone he met ..rest high on that mountain mr akers..love hugs and prayers to all the family..heaven gained another beautiful angel for the choir RIP

wilma odell - June 22, 2016 at 11:35 PM

CS

“ RIP Mr. Akers...you were a Godly man, teacher, family man and a good neighbor to us. You and Mrs. Akers served Wesley Chapel well, you as our pastor and her as a wonderful childrens Sunday school teacher. I remember and appreciated the comforting words you spoke at my fathers funeral. You were personal in your message and considerate. Dad always spoke well of you..a good neighbor indeed. May God comfort your family in this dark hour for them..now you can reap your rewards that you so kindly deserve..love to you and your family.  
pam/Clarence

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**Clarence/Pam Sexton** - June 22, 2016 at 11:22 PM

DW

“ Debby Sneed Weese sent a virtual gift in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers



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**Debby Sneed Weese** - June 22, 2016 at 11:00 PM

TB

“ Prayer's to the Family.  
He was such a wonderful person and role model to many people.  
He was one of my Favorite teachers. Such a Great Man.

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**Tina Shrewsbury Bell** - June 22, 2016 at 10:32 PM

KA

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family.  
Kay. Pratt

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**kay** - June 22, 2016 at 09:39 PM

AG

“ There was no better man than Mr. Akers. He was indeed a godly man. He loved the Lord and served him daily. He was my history teacher and I absolutely loved him and thought the world of him. He sure made a godly impact on my life and for that I am thankful. I will forever cherish the memories I have of him and hold them close to my heart. He was a very kind and compassionate man. He was a blessing to so many people.  
Heaven has sure gained an angel.  
My prayers are with his wife and family. God will bring you the peace and comfort you each need.  
I love you all! ❤️

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**Angela Lawrence Gillespie** - June 22, 2016 at 09:09 PM

CS

“ Charlene Sexton sent a virtual gift in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers



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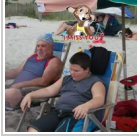
**Charlene Sexton** - June 22, 2016 at 08:07 PM

CS

“ Mr.Akers was one of the most wonderful, kind, caring, loving, Godly man ever put on this earth. He was a great man, teacher, friend, and preacher. I am so sorry for your loss, but heaven has surely received an angel. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love and prayers. Charlene Sexton

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**Charlene Sexton** - June 22, 2016 at 08:07 PM



“ *Dana Graham lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers*



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**Dana Graham** - June 22, 2016 at 07:13 PM



“ *A wonderful Christian gentlemen, teacher, co-worker, and friend. Sending our sympathy, love and prayers. We are in Roanoke as transportation for grandchildren this week; otherwise, we would be with you personally. God bless you all.*

*Bill and Debbe Clark*

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**Deborah Clark** - June 22, 2016 at 07:11 PM



“ *Chris & Tricia Toler sent a virtual gift in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers*



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**Chris & Tricia Toler** - June 22, 2016 at 06:10 PM



“ *Hannah Sheets lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers*



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**Hannah Sheets** - June 22, 2016 at 05:57 PM



“ *Tina Akers Saucedo lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers*



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**Tina Akers Saucedo** - June 22, 2016 at 05:51 PM



“ *One of my favorite teachers. If we ever wanted to get out of doing work in class, all we had to do was ask him one question about the Bible. He was a great man and will be greatly missed. I have a lot of great memories from his classroom.*

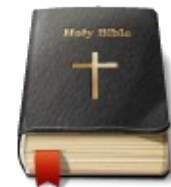
*Tina Michelle Akers Saucedo*

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**Tina Akers Saucedo** - June 22, 2016 at 05:50 PM



“ *Jo Sizemore sent a virtual gift in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers*



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**Jo Sizemore** - June 22, 2016 at 05:47 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Mr. Akers taught us both in school and he was the kindest and most caring gentleman we've ever had the privilege of knowing. Our prayers are with the family and we know he's walking the streets of Heaven.*

*Jerry and Bonita Sink*

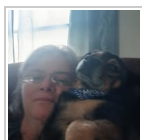
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**Bonita Sink** - June 22, 2016 at 05:42 PM

MN

“ Harvey, Steve, Wanda, and rest of family. I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your dad. So sorry I cannot be there, but sending you my love and prayers.

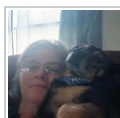
Mary nesbit - June 22, 2016 at 05:36 PM



“ Lynn Perkins lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers



Lynn Perkins - June 22, 2016 at 05:24 PM



He was a good teacher.and a good person he will be missed

Lynn Perkins - June 22, 2016 at 05:25 PM

MD

“ Michelle Dillon lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers



michelle dillon - June 22, 2016 at 05:09 PM

DE

“ Many blessings to the loved ones of Mr. Akers. Nothing but fond memories. MHS class of '81



Debbie - June 22, 2016 at 05:08 PM

FB

“ Fred And Edna Browning lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers



Fred and Edna Browning - June 22, 2016 at 05:07 PM

FG

“ Freda Greer sent a virtual gift in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers

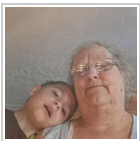


Freda Greer - June 22, 2016 at 04:42 PM

FG

One of the greatest teachers ever. Loved Mr. Akers. May you rest in peace sir. So sorry to the family, May his loving memories be cherished forever. He will never be forgotten.

Freda Greer - June 22, 2016 at 04:44 PM



“ Cindy Taylor sent a virtual gift in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers



Cindy Taylor - June 22, 2016 at 04:29 PM

SP

“ Sue Poff lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers



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**Sue Poff** - June 22, 2016 at 04:13 PM

DL

“ Dorothy Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers



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**Dorothy Lawrence** - June 22, 2016 at 04:12 PM

PM

“ Pete@ Peggy Matthews lit a candle in memory of Herbert Arnold Akers



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**Pete@ Peggy Matthews** - June 22, 2016 at 04:11 PM