



## Arthur Eugene Riley Sr.

September 2, 1932 - March 1, 2020

Bluefield, WV- Arthur Eugene Riley, Sr., 87, of Princeton, WV, died Sunday March 1, 2020 at Princeton Community Hospital.

Born September 2, 1932 in Bluefield, WV, he was a son of the late James Riley and Billie McKinney Riley.

Mr. Riley, compassionately known as Mr. Bluefield, was a champion for our City. He was President of the Downtown Merchant Association and the Downtown Neighborhood Association, and he was a member of the Ridge Runner Committee. Mr. Riley was also the owner of Landmark Antique Mall in downtown Bluefield and Southwest Holdings in Bluefield, VA.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Evans Riley.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Teresa Riley of Princeton; sons, Arthur Eugene "Gene" Riley, Jr. and his wife Patricia of Charleston, WV and William "B.J." Riley and wife Mary of Terre Haute, IN; step-children, Richard Barton, Jessica Barton, and Jonathan Barton; twelve grandchildren, Jeffery, Michael, Jacob, Elijah, and David Riley, and Chloee, Ryder, Brooklyn, Levi, Zachary, and Adam Barton, and Megan Pritt; and one great-granddaughter, Delaney Eliza Riley.

The family will receive friends at Mercer Funeral Home on Wednesday March 4, 2020 from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. A memorial service will follow at 7:00 p.m. with Mr. Craig Hammond officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Bluefield Union

Mission, 2203 Bluefield Avenue, Bluefield 24701 or the Salvation Army, 900 Highland Avenue, Bluefield, WV, 24701.

Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages may do so by visiting [www.MercerFuneralHome.com](http://www.MercerFuneralHome.com) Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the family of Mr. Arthur Eugene Riley.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 4. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Mercer Funeral Home Chapel  
1231 West Cumberland Road  
Bluefield, WV 24701

## Funeral Service

MAR 4. 7:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



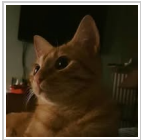
“ *Arthur Eugene Riley Sr.*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *William,  
I am so sorry for the loss of your Dad. He was certainly a very involved and dedicated citizen for Bluefield! You and your family will continue to be in my thoughts and prayers.  
Love, Elaine (Robinette) Hinchler*

**Elaine Hinchler** - March 05, 2020 at 10:12 AM



“ *So many things I could say about this wonderful man. Tammy & I are truly blessed to have had the pleasure of his company when we lived & worked in COB. We cherish the memories of being around Art and share in his passion of being a good steward to our community. His impact is immeasurable. His presence will be greatly missed at board/committee meetings and downtown events her rarely missed, many stray cats he fed daily to dining out. He was generous to the wait staff and even picked up our tab at times. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family Teresa. RIP SWS-ONE. -Shawn Jackson*

**Loki Jackson** - March 05, 2020 at 05:21 AM

SB

*Such a wonderful person who loved our community He definitely will be missed in Bluefield. Our prayers for his family. RIP Art Friends, Sharon V Borich and Johnny K Borich.*

**Sharon Borich** - March 05, 2020 at 06:53 AM

SA

“ *SP Mission Advancement purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Arthur Eugene Riley Sr..*



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**SP Mission Advancement** - March 03, 2020 at 12:26 PM

ME

“ *What a loss not only for the family, but to Mercer County as a whole. My wife and I had the pleasure of having Art and as a colleague as we both shared the similar business interests. His kind demeanor will be my best memory. Most polite and always interested in the well being of anyone he met. Basque in Glory My Friend.*  
*Mike & Anita Eades*

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**Mike Eades** - March 02, 2020 at 06:08 PM



*Cared a great deal for Art. Work for him many years he will be missed*

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**Oday Woolwine** - March 05, 2020 at 09:36 PM