



Sylvia Ellen Akers

December 4, 1935 - June 17, 2014

King, NC- Sylvia Ellen Akers, 78, of King, NC, passed away on Tuesday June 17, 2014 at Village Care Nursing Home in King.

Sylvia was born in Bluefield, WV to the late Martha Kathleen and Roosevelt "Buck" Akers on December 4, 1935.

She lived in Charleston, WV for 49 years before moving to King. She worked at Bell Telephone Company for 27 years and retired in December 1992. She was an honorary life member of the Communication Workers in America, and also Pioneers, a volunteer network. She loved sports, and played softball and basketball, and she was named All-State softball player.

Sylvia was a very kind, caring, and giving person with a keen sense of humor. She loved her family, and her pride and joy were her nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews. She always remembered their birthdays and Christmas. One of her most valuable treasures in life were her friends, who often became her family while she was living in Charleston.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Margie Willis and her husband, Roy; and niece, Sherry Witt Dobbins.

We remember our dear Sylvia with loving memories and she will be missed.

She is survived by two sisters, Rita "Ricki" Sproles and her husband Ralph of King, NC, and Wanda "Babe" Dickerson and her husband James of Martinsville, VA.

Sylvia was of the Christian Church faith.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, June 20, 2014 at 11:00 AM at Mercer

Funeral Home in Bluefield, WV with Reverend Ralph Sproles and Reverend Doctor James Dickerson officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Friday from 10:00 AM until the service hour.

The family suggest in lieu of flowers memorial donation be made to your favorite charity.

Interment will follow at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Princeton, WV.

Those wishing to share memories or e-mail condolences may do so by visiting www.mercerfuneralhome.com Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the family of Sylvia Ellen Akers.

Cemetery Details

Roselawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery

Princeton, WV

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

JUN 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Sylvia Ellen Akers*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *I worked with Sylvia in Charleston for many years, first at C&P Telephone, and then after the Bell System breakup, at Bell Atlantic. We were somewhat kindred souls, as we both came from the printing industry. Sylvia brought a wealth of graphic photography knowledge and experience with her, and was a great asset to our in-plant printing operation. Sorry to learn of her passing...*

Jim Byrne

Jim Byrne - June 26, 2014 at 02:43 PM



“ *To Sylvia's Family, I worked with Sylvia for many years at the phone company and she was always so nice. We lost contact after she moved but I was so glad that she was with her family when she needed you most. She always spoke so well of you. My deepest sympathies. Pat Dent*

Pat Dent - June 21, 2014 at 07:49 AM



“ *Ricki and Ralph, so sorry of the passing of your sister Sylvia, I did not know Sylvia however both of you are very special people.*

Much Love and prayers.

Libby

Libby Tabor - June 19, 2014 at 07:32 PM

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“ I remember Sylvia in Wade Jr. High School as I am sure Rev. Sproles does ,Who also was a classmate of mine in Wade Jr. High School and Bluefield (Beaver) High School !

She was very petite and quite. I am sure she will be missed very much! My condolences to all of the family! It sure does seem like many of our classmates of approx.(185) are going fast--I believe there are approx. 60 classmates remaining from the Class of 1953!

In sympathy,

Mike W. Puckett

sparksnavy - June 19, 2014 at 06:33 PM