



## William H. Trail

September 29, 1921 - October 5, 2016

Bluefield, VA- William H. Trail, 95, of Bluefield, VA, died Wednesday October 5, 2016.

Born September 29, 1921 in Bluefield, WV, he was a son of the late John Henry Trail and Emily Jane Brown Trail. Mr. Trail was a member of Bluefield Pentecostal Holiness Church in Bluefield, and he worked as a carpenter.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 68 years, Annis M. Trail; two daughters, Connie Snow and Linda East; brothers and sisters, Rufus, Joe, Melvin, Nannie, Maggie, Mattie, and Annie; and great-grandson, Ryan Johnston.

Survivors include his daughter, Patty Harless and husband John of Magnolia, TX; four grandchildren, Sam Johnston and wife Debbie of Telford, TN, Joe Johnston and wife Mary of Athens, WV, Keith Snow and wife Donna of Beckley, WV, and Will Harless of Magnolia, TX; six great-grandchildren, E2 Private Steven Johnston, Jared Johnston, Uriah Johnston, Josh Johnston, Shawn Johnston, and Alan Snow; his adopted daughter, Lynne Bentley and husband Joe of Wise, VA; and Dr. Phade and the wonderful physicians and staff at Westwood Center who provided him with excellent care.

Funeral Services will be conducted on Monday October 10, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. from the Mercer Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Larry Roberts officiating.

The family will receive friends on Monday from 1:00 p.m. until service hour.

Burial will follow at Grandview Memory Gardens in Bluefield, VA where Sam Johnston, Joe Johnston, Keith Snow, Will Harless, Donnie Trail, and Joe

Bentley will serve as pallbearers.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions, if desired, may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, P.O. Box 1000, Dept. 142, Memphis, TN 38148-0142.

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

# Cemetery Details

## Grandview Memory Gardens

Bluefield, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 10. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

OCT 10. 2:00 PM (ET)

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1231 West Cumberland Road  
Bluefield, WV 24701

# Tribute Wall



“ *William H. Trail*

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October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *Patty,*

*I am so sorry we will not be able to join you today in the celebration of your dad's life. We have fond memories of times spent with Connie and your parents. Time cannot erase them. Even your wedding comes to mind and I smile. Please know we will be with you in thoughts and prayers today and in the days ahead. Give our heartfelt condolences to all your family.*

*Blaine and Sheila Dunavant*

*Keith,*

*We are so sorry we can't be with you today as you say goodbye to your granddad. Your family will always be a special part of our memories and we will always consider you one of our "boys." Your family is in our prayers.*

*Blaine and Sheila*

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**Blaine & Sheila Dunavant** - October 10, 2016 at 09:19 AM

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“ To Patty and the rest of our family. I am so sorry for the loss of my Dear Uncle Bill. He was a wonderful, Son, Brother, Husband, Father, Uncle, Grandfather, Friend, and Most of all a Christian. He tried to make the best of every situation. He had a wonderful sweet sense of humor.

Uncle Bill could be counted on to be there for you. He will be missed very much. We have a great loss, but Uncle Bill had a Great Reward to walk toward. No more pain, no more loss of hearing, no more having trouble seeing. He stepped from this life into he next and final step----HEAVEN.

WE WILL SEE HIM AGAIN as we follow Jesus.

Farewell Sweet Uncle. Love you, see you later. Love, Sandi Hughes Shaffer

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**Sandi Shaffer** - October 10, 2016 at 12:12 AM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of William H. Trail.



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October 07, 2016 at 04:14 PM



“ Grandpa you were a great and wonderful husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather and most of all friend. I will always miss riding my tricycle around your chair with you pretending to be asleep then me rubbing your head then peddling off.

We will miss you but wouldn't ask for you to come back. Give grandma, mom and aunt Connie a hug and kiss from all of us left here. We love you Scott, Debbie Josh and Shaun.

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**Scott Johnston** - October 07, 2016 at 03:57 PM