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Our beloved dad, grandfather and great-grandfather, Grant Dee Akers, age 82 of Tallahassee, Florida and Bluefield, Virginia, went to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on September 8, 2025. He was born on November 18, 1942, in Bluefield, West Virginia.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife of many years, Mary Akers; his mother, Kathleen Hicks; his grandparents, Mamie and Amy Roten; and his two brothers, Prince Edward "Ned" White and Rick White.

Dee lived a life rooted in faith, kindness and helping others. A devoted Christian, he was a member of Ivan Assembly of God in Crawfordville, Florida. He had previously served as pastor of East Point Pentecostal Holiness Church in East Point, Florida and Square Street Pentecostal Holiness Church in Bluefield, Virginia. His calling to ministry touched many lives, and his preaching and teaching left a lasting spiritual impact on all who heard him.

Dee retired from Metropolitan Life Insurance Company and the ministry. He was known for his honesty and integrity; he built trusted relationships with his

clients and co-workers alike.

He enjoyed spending time with his family and church family. He loved being outdoors, maintaining his yards and cutting wood to take to others. He loved helping others and doing what he could for anyone that needed help. He enjoyed church dinners and holiday meals with his family.

A man of deep faith, he found joy in reading his Bible sitting in the shade. He loved to tell everyone about Jesus. He loved teaching Sunday School.

Left to cherish his memory are his daughters, Deanna (Fred) Gravius of Tallahassee, Florida and Becky Bryant (David) of Bluefield, Virginia. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Thomas Haugen of Fort Lauderdale, Florida; Hannah Haugen (Alex) of Tallahassee, Florida; Mary Gravius (Rafael) of Pinellas Park, Florida; Jennifer Smith (Brandon) of Greenville, West Virginia; and Joshua Bryant (Samantha) of Bluefield, West Virginia. The great grandchildren are Elizabeth and Michael Smith; Kaiden and Layla Bryant, and James Gesselman.

He is survived by his siblings: Bobby, Larry, and Johnny (Sandy) Hicks, all of Taylor, Michigan; Rae Zimmerman (Mark) of Michigan; and Libbe Miller of Georgia. In addition, his special friend, Kathy Rogers of Tallahassee, Florida, whose companionship brought warmth and joy to his later years. Though his earthly journey has ended, Dee's legacy of faith, love and humility will live on in all who knew him. He will be greatly missed.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Bluefield Church of God in Bluefield, Virginia with Pastor Phillip White officiating the service. Family and friends are invited to attend and share in remembering a life so meaningful to his family and those who knew him. Details will be forthcoming.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

Church Of God
104 Highland Ave
Bluefield, VA 24605

Tribute Wall



“ *Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Grant Dee Akers.*



October 01, 2025 at 11:53 AM



“ *Went to Graham High School with Dee and we graduated from Graham in 1960. So sorry to hear of his passing. May God comfort the family during this time of loss* 🌸



Susan Buckland Buckland - September 12, 2025 at 06:02 PM



Susan Perdue Buckland

Susan Buckland Buckland - September 12, 2025 at 06:04 PM



“ *Becky,
Keeping you and your family in my prayers.
Praise God he is in Heaven for eternity.!*

Karen & Kevin Caldwell - September 11, 2025 at 12:50 PM