



Sally Hyler Akers

December 13, 1939 - April 14, 2026

Sally Ann Hyler Akers, 86, of the Vandola community went home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, April 14, 2026.

Born in Pittsylvania County, VA on December 13, 1939, a daughter of the late Howard "Pop" Hyler and Lena Childress Hyler.

Sally graduated from Brosville High School class of 1958. She retired from Danville Regional Medical Center where she was a Radiology Technician, admired for her impeccable work ethic. She was an active member of Vandola Baptist Church until her health began to fail. She was especially famous for her pound cake and bread pudding.

On February 20, 1982, she married Eskrine "Whitey" Akers, who passed away on January 31, 2009.

Survivors include her three children, Sundi Canada-Moody, Robert Canada, III, (favorite daughter in law, Becky), Staci Purnell (favorite son-in-law, Joe), two sisters, Frances Powell, Bonnie Farmer, four grandchildren, Ryan Canada, Ryan Moody, Ethan Purnell (Megan), Emily Purnell, and a great-grandson, Luka Moody.

In addition to her husband, she was predeceased by three sisters, Mary Lucy Dance, Naomi Collie, Gwyneth Barber, and five brothers, Carson, Forrest,

Peyton, Howard, and Bill Hyler.

Funeral services will be held on Sunday, April 19, 2026, at 2:00 PM at Vandola Baptist Church with Pastor Brian Patty and Dr. Scott Bortz officiating. A private burial will follow at the Moss Family Cemetery.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service on Sunday at the church.

While we are thankful, she is no longer suffering, her physical presence will be greatly missed. She was the heart of our family, and she will live on in our memories and hearts, until we are with her again.

We would like to thank the nurses and staff of Roman Eagle, especially her CNA Margaret, for the love and care of our mother.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorial donations be made to Vandola Baptist Church 1950 Vandola Church Rd Danville, VA 24541.

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is serving the family.

Cemetery Details

Moss Family Cemetery

Vandola Road
Danville, VA 24540

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 19. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Vandola Baptist Church
1950 Vandola Church Rd
Danville, VA 24541-7430
(434) 822-1480

Funeral Service

APR 19. 2:00 PM (ET)

Vandola Baptist Church
1950 Vandola Church Rd
Danville, Va

Tribute Wall



“ Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Sally Hyler Akers



Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - April 18 at 03:34 PM

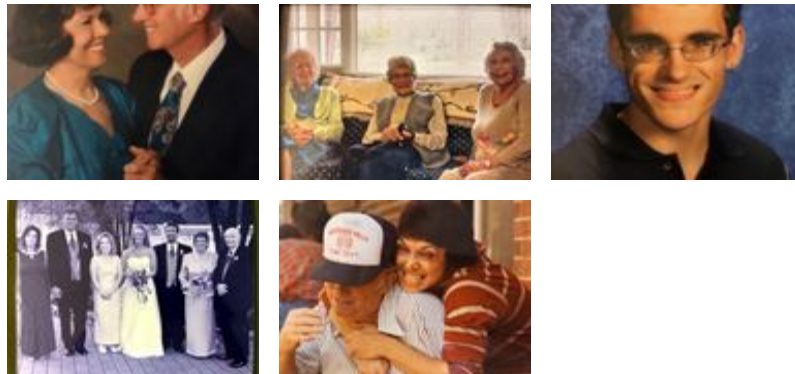


“ I will miss Sally. She was a sweetheart. I didn't meet her until she came to Roman Eagle and she shared a room with Diana. I am so sorry for her family's loss. We lost Diana almost 2 weeks later.

Teresa Hyler - June 04 at 01:10 AM



“ 22 files added to the album Life Tributes



Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - April 18 at 03:21 PM

JF

“ James Family! planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sally Hyler Akers.

James Family! - April 18 at 06:04 AM

JF

“ James Family! purchased the Lord's Prayer 44" Sonnet for the family of Sally Hyler Akers.



James Family! - April 18 at 06:04 AM

CR

“ I remember Sally from the X-ray department at the hospital. She was the third shift tech . She was very sweet and funny. Prayers for her family and friends!

Cindy Roach - April 17 at 11:47 AM

JP

Sally was a wonderful friend.we worked together for many years and tried to keep in touch for a long time until illness separated us. I will miss her. My thoughts are with her family. God bless

Judy Parrish - April 17 at 02:56 PM



“ 37 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - April 17 at 08:45 AM



“ Praying for you both, Robert and Susie purchased the *Beautiful Dreams* for the family of Sally Hyler Akers.



Praying for you both, Robert and Susie - April 17 at 07:52 AM



“ What a wonderful, wonderful lady. She will be missed. Prayers and condolences to the family.

Nathan Hayes - April 16 at 09:01 PM



“ 35 files added to the album Life Tributes



Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - April 16 at 06:46 PM

LB

I remember Sally from working with her at the hospital. She was a very special person with a kind heart and beautiful soul! After working on second shift her smile was a bright spot as she came in to work 3rd. My prayers are with her family 🙏🙏🙏

Lori Barbour - April 17 at 11:53 PM

DA

“ *Sally and I worked the night weekend shift in radiology for many years. We created a bond that I'll never forget. She made long stressful nights, lighter with her kindness, humor and friendship. She was a steady presence that made even the hardest shifts easier. Praying for peace and comfort to all who loved her.*

Debbie Agee - April 16 at 04:57 PM

CF

Sally and I graduated together, but my memories go back when I would spend a night at her home once in a while, Loved her family and the good times we shared Carol Thompson Fortner

Carol Thompson Fortner - April 17 at 09:00 PM

RW

“ I am so deeply sorry for your loss; your mom was a wonderful sweet lady. Prayers for the entire family for strength and comfort during this difficult time.

Ramona Woodson

Ramona Woodson - April 16 at 02:33 PM

DA

“ *Danny,Darlene, Jack,Sarah,Fran, Alesha purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Sally Hyler Akers.*



Danny,Darlene, Jack,Sarah,Fran, Alesha - April 16 at 09:44 AM

CM

“ *A more loving, giving lady will never be found.She has been so good to my daughter Amy who loved her and misses her deeply. We always looked forward to her apples in the fall and so many other loving gifts that would take forever to list. RIP sweet Sally.....our loss is surely heavens gain.*

carolyn megginson - April 16 at 09:40 AM

DS

“ Our friend and direct neighbor was wonderful. She was a go getter always. She ministered in so many ways, bathing and caring for her sister-in-law for a good while, buying and giving apples every fall, of course her strawberry jam, Baking pounds cakes, cooking delicious potato soup and much more. She watched my house activity and I watched hers. We would call each other quite often if either of us saw something amiss. She remembered my son, Seth each holiday as his grandmother. A dear friend who I loved and will miss. Her children cared for her deeply which reflected what kind of Mother she was.

Delores Sunde - April 16 at 07:59 AM

BC

“ Bill and Casey Collie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sally Hyler Akers.

Bill and Casey Collie - April 15 at 08:06 PM

BC

“ Bill and Casey Collie purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Sally Hyler Akers.



Bill and Casey Collie - April 15 at 08:06 PM

JP

“ Mimi (that's what her immediate family called her) was the absolute best cook I've known. She was more than a mother in law to me. I considered her my second mother. If she did something for one person she did it for all. NOBODY went without when Mimi was around. She cosigned a loan for me to purchase my first truck which few people knew about. We had a special bond and she will be greatly missed. She gave me a beautiful, strong and intelligent wife who is a carbon copy of mimi. I am and will always be forever grateful for everything she has done for me and our family. God has definitely received an angel.

Joe Purnell - April 15 at 03:21 PM

LP

Let me tell you what sweet Sally did for me. 1st of all, she was a hoot!! And who doesn't need someone in their life, who is genuinely happy. Come on now, that kind of happy is only genuine and true, when the Joy of the LORD lives inside them. Like, joy is the entire banana split and happy is that cherry on top. I came in early, just cause, and so often, there was Sally, up-front, mostly on Mondays, cause back then I only worked M-F, so each encounter would have to last a whole week. Not once in the 16yrs. that I worked in Radiology/Xray, did I ever encounter sadness in Sally. There's that Joy of the LORD again! I am asking FATHER GOD, our LORD JESUS Christ and our Most Marvelous Holy Spirit, to minister to those who knew and loved Sally; to pour out HIS Blessing, to comfort, where comfort is needed, and to Rejoice in the LORD Always, cause Sally is celebrating and she would not trade that glorious majesty, as she takes her place, in the Spirit, with all those who have gone on before us. Just as JESUS sits @the Right hand of the FATHER, we are seated (set in, not sitting down) @JESUS' right hand, just as HE promised, and I believe that just as JESUS in interceding with the FATHER, on our behalf here, now those we love and that loved us, well they get to intercede, for us and others, just as He Promised. Thank you Sally....Lea.

Lea Smith Pearce - April 17 at 09:08 PM