



## Melvin Peery Asbury Jr.

March 18, 1934 - October 31, 2023

Melvin Peery Asbury, Jr., age 89, of Tazewell, Virginia, passed away Tuesday, October 31, 2023, in Radford, Virginia.

Melvin was born March 18, 1934, in Tazewell, Virginia, and was the son of the late Pete Asbury and Sophia Callahan Asbury. Melvin graduated from Tazewell High School and then served his country in the U.S. Army from 1957-1959 with the Army Corps of Engineers in Germany. Over the years, he worked as a Baker at the Betsy Ross Bakery in Bluefield and was a truss maker at Bailey Lumber, but at heart, he was a farmer. He spent many years farming; he loved to garden and fish. He also worked with the Winterization Program at the Clinch Valley Community Action. Melvin was usually found sitting on the porch, in his chair, stringing green beans and watching traffic. He was a loving husband, father, son, brother, uncle, grandfather, great-grandfather, and friend. He will truly be missed by all who knew and loved him.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his loving wife of 40 years, Diane Asbury, and four sisters, Fannie Herald, Nancy Cruvey, Mary Rose Lambert, and Lizzie Webb.

Melvin was the best dad to his kids, his sons were Wesley "Weasel" Asbury, Randall Asbury, and companion, Sylvia Newsome, all of Tazewell, VA. His

daughters, Becky Hoover and her husband Doug of NC, and Angie Rose and her husband, Joey of North Tazewell.

Melvin was an awesome PopPaw to his nine grandchildren, Josh Hoover and his wife, Rebecca, Monica Hoover, Samuel Rose, Sarah Beth Rose, Nathan Asbury, Cody Asbury, Audrey Asbury, Joseph Horn, and Jayden Newsome. great-grandchildren, Ava Hoover, Isla Hoover, and Keegan Cole Asbury who will be arriving in January.

He was a brother to 8 sisters, the four surviving him are, Katherine Brown, Ella Herald, Shirley Bowling, Judy Rowe, and her husband Roger.

A host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends also survive.

The funeral service for Melvin Asbury will be at 2:00 PM on Sunday, November 5th, 2023, at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Chapel in Tazewell with the Rev. Mannie Elswick officiating. Interment will follow at the Grandview Memory Gardens in Bluefield, and Casey-Short Post# 9640 will conduct military graveside rites. Pallbearers will be sons and grandchildren. The family will receive friends Saturday evening, November 4, 2023, beginning at 6:00 pm at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Chapel in Tazewell.

Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Tazewell, Virginia, is in charge of services, and those wishing to express sympathy online may do so at [www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com](http://www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Grandview Memory Gardens

38659 Gov . G.C. Peery Hwy  
Bluefield, VA 24605

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 4. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Hurst- Scott Funeral Home of Tazewell  
870 Main Street  
Tazewell, VA 24651  
(276) 988-7579  
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## Funeral Service

NOV 5. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *happy late holidays papaw. so different without you, i love you glad you're with grandma, i wish i got to meet her* ”

**audrey asbury** - January 10, 2025 at 07:18 PM



“ *Missing you papaw. You dont really realize how much you love someone until they are gone. and now i feel like i should have been more grateful for every moment i had with you. When i was first born you held me, you passed, i held you, i held your hand. I'd do anything to tell you i love you again* ”

**Audrey Asbury** - June 24, 2024 at 02:59 AM



*Dad put flowers on your grave for father's day, i couldn't be there i was at work but i wrote my name on the vase so you knew i loved you*

**Audrey Asbury** - June 24, 2024 at 12:51 PM



“ *I just wanted to let my family and friends know that I will miss Uncle Perry. He was always smiling and kind to everyone he met. Never knew a stranger. RIP Uncle Perry. You will be greatly missed. Love, Matthew Webb* ”

**Fern Harrison** - November 04, 2023 at 09:16 PM



“ It is with a heavy heart that I write this tribute to my Uncle Perry. He and Aunt Diane were always very kind to me and for that I will be forever grateful for the Love and Kindness they shared with me. That porch will forever have an empty void. Never being the same without him and his warm smile and waving to each as they go by. Never an unkind word for anyone. Love and prayers go out to all my family and friends that knew him. He will never have to be sick or be in pain anymore. Rest In Peace my Dear UNCLE. Walk and rejoice with the Family as they have been waiting for your return. Love  
Linda, Fern Harrison

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**Fern Harrison** - November 04, 2023 at 09:07 PM



“ It is with the deepest regret that I must post this. You were always nice to me Mr Asbury. RIP Sir. Jesus is waiting for you. The children of Peery, were and are some of the best folks I have met. Wesley MY heart goes out to you old friend, along with the rest He left behind.. God Bless you all!

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**Clyde M Null Jr** - November 03, 2023 at 06:42 PM




“ TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of  
Melvin Asbury



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**TonyanEdgar Wicks** - November 03, 2023 at 08:55 AM

 Donald  
Meade

“ *Donald Meade lit a candle in memory of  
Melvin Asbury*



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**Donald Meade** - November 03, 2023 at 07:48 AM

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“ *Uncle Perry was always smiling every time I seen him. As a little girl  
he would come to grandma's in his pick up truck and sit and talk to  
me. I loved him very much and he will be dearly missed. To my  
cousins I am so sorry for your loss. To my Aunts I am deeply  
saddened by your loss. My deepest sympathy to you all. May God  
walk with you through this difficult time. I love you all. Love Clara  
Goodman*

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**Clara Goodman** - November 02, 2023 at 08:11 PM