



## John Joseph Akel

January 6, 1948 - June 27, 2014

Myrtle Beach

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John Joseph Akel, 66, of Myrtle Beach, passed away Friday afternoon at Grand Strand Hospital.

He was born January 6, 1948 in Cleveland, OH. He moved to the Myrtle Beach area as a young adult. John was best known as co-owner of the Holland House of Pancakes in Myrtle Beach. He enjoyed playing golf with friends, watching his grandsons play football, spending time with his family and cheering on the Buckeyes! John is the son of the late Joseph and Hilda Akel.

He is survived by his son Michael Akel of North Myrtle Beach; son Mark Akel and his wife Cathryn of Myrtle Beach; six grandchildren, Sarah, Stephen, William, Hannah, Thomas and Elizabeth; brother Joseph Essa and his wife Lila, their children Fred, David, and Diane; sister Nadia and her children Betty Ann, Mussa, and Janet; sister Mary and her children Tina, Joey, and Denise; and several great nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held 1:00 PM, Wednesday, July 2, 2014 at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel. The family will receive friends at the funeral home one hour prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to be made to the V foundation ([www.jimmyv.org](http://www.jimmyv.org)) or to the Carolina Forest High School football program.

Sign an online guestbook at [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com/obituaries](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com/obituaries)  
Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of arrangements

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 2. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Celebration Center  
11528 Hwy 17 Bypass  
Murrells Inlet, SC 29588  
(843) 651-3295  
info@goldfinchfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com>

## Memorial Services

JUL 2. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

AB

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Please accept my deepest sympathy. May you find comfort from your memories, as well as God's word the bible. Why do people we love die? Romans 5:12 says: "That is why, just as through one man (Adam) sin entered into the world and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men because they had all sinned." How loving of God to promise what is found at Revelation 21:4 which says, "And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away.”

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**A. Bell** - July 15, 2014 at 05:32 PM

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“ What wonderful years and memories we spent together. i am so thankful that we were able to talk and to reminisce just a few months ago. You are such a special person with such a big heart and wonderful laugh and smile. You will be missed dearly . RIP ..God Bless .. Forever in my heart DJ



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**Donna Hiatt (DJ)** - July 03, 2014 at 07:09 AM

MJ

“ When I was down on my luck after hurricane Hugo and I was out of work you gave me a job washing dishes at the Holland House. What a wonderful place that was. Nothing will ever compare to the great times me and my family and friends enjoyed back then. Your sense of humor and friendship made me actually look forward to going to work. Thanks for the memories.

Monte Joyce



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Monte Joyce - June 30, 2014 at 03:53 PM

DP

“ Your friendship meant more to me than I could have expressed in words and I will cherish the good times we had. I love you John

Dave

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David Parenti - June 30, 2014 at 08:30 AM

EA

I am very saddened to hear of Johnny's passing. My brothers and I grew up with him in Sumter, SC and have very happy memories. My sympathies to you.

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Eddie Akel - June 30, 2014 at 11:59 AM

MF

I'm so sorry to hear of his passing i worked for him 12years he was a wonderful boss and a really good person my sympathies to. The family mary fields

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mary fields - July 05, 2014 at 09:06 AM