Commelina erecta
Erect Dayflower

Family: Commelinaceae [Gleason and Cronquist 1991, Judd et al. 2007]

Other names: Commelina angustifolia, Commelina erecta var. deamiana

Notes: Commelina erecta is native in Indiana.

Petals 3, the upper 2 10–25 mm, blue, the lower much smaller and white; sepals 3; stamens 6(4 or 5), anthers bright yellow; ovary 1, styles 3, blue. Blooms July 2–Sept 15.

Leaf sheath, the margins with white hairs.

Inflorescence, spath margins connate in the lower ¼.

Perennial herb, the stems erect, to 1 m. Roadsides, streambanks, dunes.

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