



## Dorothy Sykes

March 5, 1918 - January 25, 2007

Dorothy Maye Golden Sykes, 88 year-old resident of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, went to be with the Lord on Thursday, January 25, 2007, at Valley Springs Assisted Living Center, West Siloam Springs, Oklahoma. Born March 5, 1918, in Mosheim, Texas, she was the daughter of Sam and Lula Golden. She married Henry Alvis Sykes on May 20, 1936 in Happy, Texas. They moved to Siloam Springs in 1953. She worked as an aide at Woodland Manor in Siloam Springs for eight years. They moved to Bowie, Texas in 1979. She returned to Siloam Springs in 1994 following the death of her husband in 1988. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, two brothers, and two sisters. Survivors include two sons, Jim Sykes and wife Zee of Royse City, Texas, Michael Sykes of Dallas, Texas; one daughter, Pat Allen and husband Pete of Siloam Springs, Arkansas; six grandchildren, David and Stephanie Allen of Siloam Springs, Doug and Shandy Allen of Prairie Grove, Arkansas, Julie and Les Davis of Siloam Springs, Debbie Merrell of Garland, Texas, Karen Sykes and Skye Gaskill of Lake Dallas, Texas, Scott Sykes of Dallas, Texas, Jeff Baucum of Quinlan, Texas and Julie Wilson and Keith of China Grove, North Carolina and 14 great grandchildren; two sisters, Winnie Jones of Dumas, Texas and Bobbie Roberts of Nashville, Tennessee and a host of nieces and nephews including Lynn Heller of Alvarado, Texas, and Royce Heller of Abilene, Texas Pallbearers will be David Allen, Doug Allen, Scott Sykes, Les Davis, Lynn Heller and Royce Heller. A celebration of her life will be held at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, January 28, 2007, at First Baptist Church,

Siloam Springs, Arkansas, with Dr. Steve Abbott and Rev. Jason Kelly officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery, Siloam Springs. Visitation will be 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., Saturday, January 27, 2007, at Wasson Funeral Home, Siloam Springs, Arkansas. Memorial contributions may be made to First Baptist Church Building Fund, Siloam Springs High School Scholarship Fund, Arthritis Foundation or Trinity Hospice of Tahlequah, Oklahoma.

# Tribute Wall

KH

“ I didn't really know your Mom until she moved back to Siloam. Then we would visit when we met in the grocery store. She also has a few of my Mom's carvings, so they (our two moms) would visit and discuss the fate of the world whenever they met.

*There are no words that will ease your loss. Just know that there are people raising her and you up in prayer. We're asking for peace and comfort.*

K

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**Kay (Loucks) Heggen** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

WK

“ I wished we could have seen Aunt Dorothy before she passed. I will always remember the times at her house in Bowie. I loved to go over there and run around outside. She will be greatly missed by everyone, she was a special lady.

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**Wes and Angela Kleinhans** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

AJ

“ I wanted to let the family know that my mother, Mary Andrus, felt so warmly toward your mother. They were neighbors there on Willow Court for the last 9 to 10 years and my mom was so sorry to hear of her passing.

As you may know, we just lost my dad in December and we're still trying to adjust to his death.

The loss of a parent, even one who has lived a long full life, leaves a huge emptiness.

Dorothy must have been a very lovely and well-loved person, as was my dad.

I'll keep you in my thoughts and prayers.

Anna

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**Anna Jones** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

KV

“ Pat, what a privilege to have known Dorothy. She has quite a testimony. She's finally home, but we will miss her down here.

Kay Vest

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**Kay Vest** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

BS

“ To the family of "Grandma" Sykes...

*We express our deepest sympathies to you. Dorothy was our "welcome wagon" on Willow Court when we first moved here by stopping by with her banana pudding and filling us in on our neighbors and the community etc... She insisted we call her "grandma" and that is how we knew her to be.*

*She was a classy lady and she will be missed.*

*Sincerely,  
Bert & Janet Stafford*

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**Bert & Janet Stafford** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

GB

“ *Mamma loved your mother so much. She still talks about the funny things that they did. I don't think she ever had as close a friend after your mother left Happy. Our thoughts are with you. Mamma is still alive and lives near me. She is still able to care for herself although I don't know how much longer she will be able to. She will be 91 this year. Charlene Wesley Jackson saw the obituary and e-mailed me about Dorothy.*

*Gracyne Devin Backus*

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**Gracyne Devin Parker Backus** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

RB

“ I did not hear of Dorothy's passing till after the funeral. I would really liked to have seen Jim and Mike since it has been so many years. Dorothy Sykes was a very classy lady. Never one time in my life did I see her that she didn't have a smile on her face. I'm not sure how she did it but she always made me feel special. She was the special one. She was a beautiful inside and out. I feel blessed to have known her all my life.  
My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

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**Rhonda Brown Blair** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

GG

“ Dorothy was always someone very special because of her wonderful smile that made you feel like you were someone special to her. What a talent. She was as beautiful on the inside as she was the outside and was a true blessing from God.

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**Glenita Guthrie** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

BG

“ Pat, Pete, and All, Aunt Dorothy will be missed-----she was a very special lady to all who knew her. She always had a twinkle in her eye, kind words for everyone, and was blessed with a very remarkable sense of humor.  
Love to all, Bill & Carol Golden

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**Bill & Carol Golden** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

GW

“ Thinking of you and your family

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**Greg and Gail Walters** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

JB

“ Pat,  
Our love and prayers to you and your family on the loss of your mother. She finally got her wish.....to go home to her Lord. I know she will be greatly missed, but what a comfort to know who is taking care of her now.  
She was a wonderful lady and will be missed by many.  
God bless you and your family.

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**Joyce Bailey** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

DL

“ All my life I remember hearing "Grandma Sykes" stories and hearing her grandchildren talk about going to visit her and how much they enjoyed her. Never an unkind word or thought. What a blessing she was to you all, and you all to her in that her life was always filled with family and activities in her later years. Her legacy continues in the great mother and grandmother that Pat is to all of you.

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**Doug and Martha Londagin** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

VF

“ Was sorry to read in our paper about the death of your mother. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Vonnie Fields** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

LS

“ You held our hand through similar circumstances. Wish we could be there in person to hold your hand today. Know that our thoughts and prayers are with you though we are apart.

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**LOUida and Jim Stanton** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

LS

“ Pat, I wrote a little note Friday, but I expect you haven't yet received it.

Gary and I have thought so much about you since I learned on Friday about your mom. I'm thankful today is a bright sunny day. It makes it easier for family and friends, but I know she is in the sunshine just the same! With love to you...

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**Libby Smith** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

NP

“ So sorry we could not attend the service for Grandma Sykes. We just returned from Palm Springs and are not in the best of shape!!

Pat, your mom was very special to my daughter and granddaughters. Patti did attend the service.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you, and you can be very proud of your mom and the legacy she gave you!!

God Bless you,

Nancy and Moose

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**Nancy and M.L. Van Poucke** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

LT

“ Dear Pat and Family,

We were so sorry to hear about Grandma Sykes. We have so many wonderful memories of her. She was the "Queen of the Neighborhood" and our lives were all blessed for knowing her. She will always be in our hearts and our memories and our prayers. May God be with each and every one of you and just know that your Mother and Grandmother was truly loved by everyone who was fortunate enough to have been touched by her.

Sincerely,

Larry, Lindy, Eli and Mary Taylor

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**Larry & Lindy Taylor** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

JH

“ *Pat and Pete and Family:*

*Our deepest sympathy.*

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**John and Carolyn Haas** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

JF

“ *A truly wonderful lady.*

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**John & Martha Anne Fenno** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

PS

“ *Sorry to read about your Mother in the Amarillo Paper. She was a sweet lady. I came across the pictures from your folks 50th anniversary recently. Brought back lots of memories of a good time- Carol had such a good time at the party and seeing all of you. He talked about your family often and the good times you had in school and riding the bus to and from school. I am okay. Carol's Mom is 92 years old now and doing well- she still lives here in Happy. I take care of her. Carol has been gone 9 years now, seems impossible but time gone by in a hurry. My sympathy to all of you. Pat*

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**Patricia Sims** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

JH

“ *Dear Patsy , I saw this in the Amarillo paper and wanted to send you and the family my thoughts and prayers as you are dearly rememered of some very good times when we were in school. So many years have passed but you rememered me when my Mother passed away and called me at Dads house when she passed away and that was so very memorable . I will be thinking of you and may you all be blessed with the love of our Lord.*

*Paulette Lea*

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**Jim and Jan Henegar** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

TB

“ Grandma Sykes was one of a kind!  
I remember sitting in her living room listening to some of her stories about the farm and laughing so hard...I would cry! She made everyone around her feel special and loved. I will miss her, but I know she's up there in heaven...and having a wonderful time!

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**Teresa Beasley** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

CW

“ Your mother was a great lady and we will certainly miss her sweet smile and gentle ways.

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**Charles and Celia Woods** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

KW

“ We will always remember Mr. and Mrs. Sikes both as wonderful people and good neighbors in the Nicodemus Community. When our barn burned many years ago they were one of the first ones there offering help and hay for our cattle. Dorothy was such a pretty lady lady and very kind. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Karen Davis Woods** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

JH

“ *"In Heaven, I think we can expect to find the best place ever made by anyone, for anyone, in the history of the universe. The God Who commends hospitality will not be outdone in His hospitality to us."*  
from the book HEAVEN by Rany Alcorn.

*You are in our prayers as, even in the midst of sorrow, you ponder the unequalled hope found in knowing Jesus.*

*Carroll and Mollie Bedwell  
Sunray, Texas*

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**jim huskins** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

JW

“ *Our thoughts are with your family in the loss of your much loved Mom. I will always remember her beautiful skin and her wonderful smile.*

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**Jim and Suzanne Walz** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

JT

“ *My condolences on your loss, and much personal affection.*

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**John V. Terry** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

CL

“ *Pat and family I am very sorry to here about the loss of your mother may the lord bless you and your family in your time of sorrow. My heart and prayers go out to you and your family. Your mother was a good person and she will be missed by everyone*

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**Cheryl Marveggio Lee** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

DM

“ *Dear Allen Family,  
We are thinking of you at this time and praying God give you all the comfort you need. May you find the strength you need in the Lord and your friends and family! God Bless you all!*

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**Daryl and Alma Myrick,Sr.** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

FL

“ *It has been my pleasure to help Dorothy while she has lived at Valley Springs. Dorothy was one of the most caring, loving ladies I will ever meet. Dorothy even during her bad days was concerned about the welfare of the people around her. There are many people that come and go through our life, and Dorothy will be missed and thought of often. I do look forward to seeing Dorothy again when I see Jesus face to face as well as Dorothy. God bless, Frances*

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**Frances E. Lee** - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM