



Orpha Jean (Sykes) Yelton

December 23, 1935 - April 28, 2024

Orpha Jean (Sykes) Yelton, or Nana Jean as she was known to those closest to her, died on April 28, 2024, at 88 years old surrounded by loved ones. She was born December 23, 1935, in Lawrence, Oklahoma, to Lester Floyd Sykes and Thelma Ludene (Johnson) Sykes. She was a loving and devoted mother to two children, and was passionately involved with three grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren. Jean worked tirelessly as a nurse for most of her life and continued to care for everyone around her until her final days. She spent the last five years at Springdale Health and Rehab, where her caretakers loved to talk about her firecracker spirit and how much joy she brought to those around her. She will be remembered by many for her incredible selflessness and unwavering love for everyone around her. Jean was loved by many, and will be deeply missed, but as a strong believer in Christ we know she will be joyously reunited with her loved ones.

She is preceded in death by her son, Larry Paul Yelton; great-granddaughter, Hannah Leigh Ann; and brother, Bill Sykes.

Jean is survived by her daughter, Linda Bader, grandchildren: Amber Crocker and husband Richard, Paul Dilbeck and wife Brook, and Kris Dilbeck; eight great-grandchildren; one brother, James Sikes, and one sister, RaDonna Pollard.

She will be buried at Springtown Cemetery, Springtown, Arkansas. To sign the online guestbook, please visit: www.wassonfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Springtown Cemetery

Springtown, AR
Springtown, AR 72734

Tribute Wall

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“ *Linda, I am so very sorry for your loss. Prayers for comfort for you during the days to come.* ”

Renea Ellis - May 02, 2024 at 10:32 AM

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“ *Liz Reading lit a candle in memory of Orpha (Sykes) Yelton* ”



Liz Reading - May 01, 2024 at 05:50 PM

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“ *My prayers are with the family. I attended high school in Gentry with Linda. Jim Taylor*P.O. Box 16307*Fresno, Ca. 93711* ”

Jim Taylor - April 29, 2024 at 10:05 AM

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“ *Paul and Brook, sorry for your loss! Loss is painful, but may you find peace in Jesus and your memories that nothing can take away! /A friend, Nora* ”

Nora Krein-Slikkers - April 29, 2024 at 08:24 AM