



# Grace M. Sykes

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**G**race M. Sykes, 93

LAKELAND – Grace M. Sykes, 93, of Lakeland, died Thursday, December 1, 2022. She is survived by her children and their spouses: Nick, Gary (Bettye), Scott, Randy (Linda), Victor (Theresa), and Susan (Terry) Reneau. Known as "Meme" to her 23 grandchildren, 33 great grandchildren, and 12 great-great grandchildren, she is remembered for her faith in Christ and love for her family and community.

Her early professional pursuits began as an assistant to the Associate Editor of the Lakeland Ledger, which was the catalyst to meeting her eventual husband, Virgil. A devoted wife, mother, and grandmother—she dedicated more than fifty years to teaching Sunday School to generations of Lakeland's youth. In the early nineteen eighties, she also volunteered as a teacher's aide at Kathleen Elementary.

She enjoyed outdoor activities such as boating, horseback riding and working in her yard. In her mid-thirties, she twice completed a 3-day, 100-mile horseback ride event, and she placed in several other horseback competitions.

Visitation will be Tuesday at 10 am, immediately followed by the funeral service at 11 am at Northside Baptist Church, 3131 Duff Road. Interment to follow at Serenity Gardens.



# Events


**Grace M. Sykes**

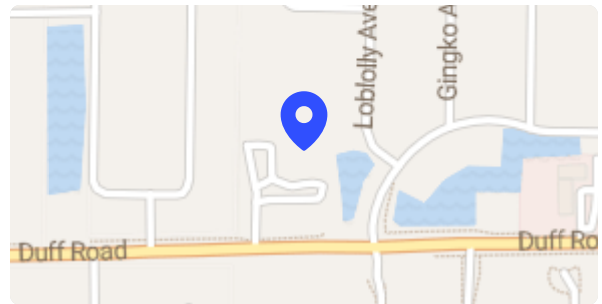
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## Visitation

 **Tuesday**, December 6, 2022

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET


 **Northside Baptist Church**  
3131 Duff Road, LAKELAND FL 33810

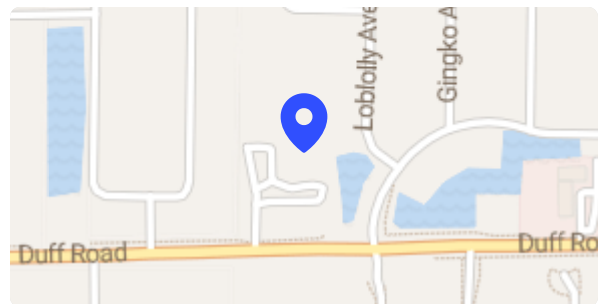


## Funeral Service

 **Tuesday**, December 6, 2022

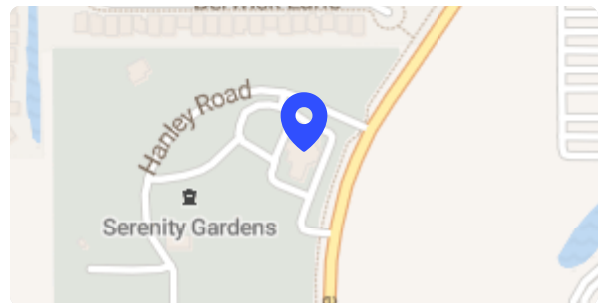
 11:00 AM ET

 **Northside Baptist Church**  
3131 Duff Road, LAKELAND FL 33810



## Cemetery Details

 **Serenity Gardens**  
3350 Mall Hill Drive, Lakeland FL 33810





# Tribute Wall

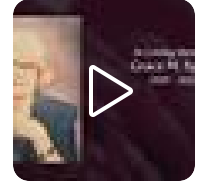
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**Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes** shared a **Video**.

December 5 at 8:58 AM



**Lm Aero Security And Emergency Services** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Sykes family.

December 5 at 10:10 AM



**Gary And Bettye Sykes Family** sent a Serenity Wreath to the Sykes family.

December 5 at 8:09 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Sykes family.

December 4 at 7:16 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Sykes family.

December 4 at 5:35 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Divine Light to the Sykes family.

December 3 at 2:51 PM





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**John & Sharon Richardson** posted:

It has been our privilege and great blessing to know Grace and her family since 1978. We feel like we have known her all our lives, but it's only been 44 years. She had already taught numerous children in Sunday Schools before we had the honor of including her in our church teaching staff. Grace was a very creative teacher, usually making her own visual aids and activity sheets to relate the Bible stories, making sure every detail was correct according to Scripture. I remember being quite impressed with her collection of trophies and ribbons she had won in numerous horse riding contests. Grace Sykes was quite a lady, a real lady, a Godly lady, and we are honored to call her 'dear friend.'

December 3 at 10:19 AM



## Media

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# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Grace by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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