



Virgil Newton Sykes Jr.

October 17, 1928 - April 11, 2014

VIRGIL N.SYKES, Jr., 85
Sykes Spray Service

LAKELAND - Virgil N. Sykes, Jr., 85, of Lakeland, died Friday, April 11, 2014, of heart failure. He is survived by his wife of 28 years: Lana; his children and their spouses: Nick, Gary (Bettye), Scott, Randy (Linda), Victor (Theresa), and Susan (Terry) Reneau; and mother of his children: Grace and step-son Rick Sadler. Known as "Pop Pop" to his 24 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren, and four great great grandchildren, he is remembered for his boats, fishing and horseriding adventures and pride in his family and business, Sykes Spray Service, which he founded in 1951. Visitation will be Monday 6 - 8 pm at Gentry-Morrison Funeral Home at Serenity Gardens. Funeral service Tuesday 10 am at Griffin Baptist Church. Interment to follow at Serenity Gardens. Arrangements by Gentry-Morrison at Serenity Gardens

Cemetery Details

Serenity Gardens - Cemetery

3350 Mall Hill Drive
Lakeland, FL 33810
(863) 853-5959
t.hall@gentry-morrison.com
<https://serenitygardensoflakeland.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **14.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - Serenity Gardens Chapel
3350 Mall Hill Drive
Lakeland, FL 33810
(863) 858-4474
t.hall@gentry-morrison.com
<https://www.gentry-morrison.com/>

Service

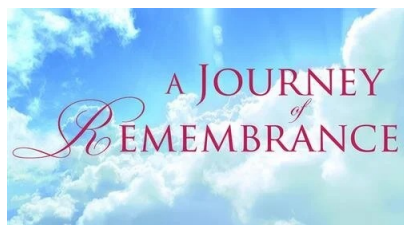
APR **15.** 10:00 AM (ET)

Griffin Baptist

Tribute Wall



“ Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Virgil Newton Sykes Jr.



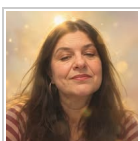
Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - April 15, 2014 at 07:38 AM

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“ So many ! My favorite was when he taught me how to ride a horse. When my dad passed away, Uncle Virgil was like a father to me. Loved him with all my heart #



Elizabeth Town - February 01, 2015 at 06:49 AM



“ I would like to extend our condolences from the Miller family. My dad was "C" Miller and he and Virgil were friends. Daddy passed away 21 years ago and I miss him every day~ I will always remember Daddy and I riding horses, with Virgil. The horse, Daddy was riding, kept going back to the barn! We laughed so much that day. Virgil was a great guy! I will always have fond memories of him. My Mother will be 88 in October~



Patty Ouellette - May 01, 2014 at 11:23 PM