



## Cora Sykes

August 6, 1922 - July 4, 2021

Cora Lee Sykes was born on August 6, 1922 in Texarkana, Texas. Cora was the sixth in a line of eleven children born to Jack and Rachael Jones. She received her education at home from her mother who was a school teacher at the time. When Cora relocated to Chicago, IL she received a sewing certificate at a local sewing school.

While in Chicago, she met and married Willey Sykes and went on to have five children. After Mr. Sykes' untimely death, she met Roy Tucker and from their union, three more children were born. Mr. Tucker moved her out of the bustling city to the quiet country of Hopkins Park, IL where she settled down with her family in their home until his death. After, she lived her life for and with her family in her home in Hopkins Park where she raised pigs, cows, chickens, and was an excellent gardener and an avid fisherwoman. If she wasn't on the banks of the Kankakee River, she was enjoying her favorite team, the Chicago Cubs. Cora loved her extended family as was apparent by the many years of hosting family gatherings at her home. She also was caretaker for several of her brothers and sisters toward the end of their lives.

Cora was called home on July 4, 2021. She was preceded in death by her husbands, Mr. Willey Sykes and Mr. Roy Tucker; two sons, Willey and Phillip Sykes; her loving parents, Jack and Rachael Jones; her brothers and sisters, Sugar, Baby Boy, Robert, Jessie, Valentine, Henry, Thomas, Tennessee,

Annie and Howard.

Cora leaves to cherish her memory, three daughters, Sandra Sykes of Palm Bay, FL, Norma Tucker of Bourbonnais, IL and Robin Stroud of Hopkins Park, IL; three sons, Winston (Sheree) Sykes of Bourbonnais, IL, Donnie Tucker of Hopkins Park, IL and Rory (Bernice) Tucker of Hopkins Park, IL; 22 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren, and a host of great-great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Momence Cemetery

Ganeer Township, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Lax Mortuary  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *JOANN BOX lit a candle in memory of Cora Sykes*



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**JOANN BOX** - July 15, 2021 at 02:11 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Cora Sykes.*



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July 15, 2021 at 02:08 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Cora Sykes.*



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July 15, 2021 at 01:38 PM

GN

“ It has been an honor to work with and for the deceased Ms. Cora Sykes for the past 6 years. Cora has always been sweet and very much chilled. Cora I enjoyed spending several birthdays w/you and your family and friends. Thank you for trusting in me and allowing me to provide you with all you needed over these past few years. You will forever be in my heart. Love you, Ms. Gina, Case Manager.

Gina Nater - July 15, 2021 at 10:13 AM

JB

“ Sandra, We are sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with you and the rest of your family. Ms. Cora was a sweet and special Lady; I enjoyed our special hello's throughout the years and will miss her too. Thank you for sharing Ms Cora! Blessings, Jean, Shep, and The BoyZ

Jean/Shep/The BoyZ - July 14, 2021 at 09:56 PM

CW

“ Cheryl Wilson lit a candle in memory of Cora Sykes



Cheryl Wilson - July 14, 2021 at 02:24 PM