



## Kenneth Ray Sykes

August 20, 1962 - March 18, 2022

Kenneth Ray Sykes, son of Eddie M. Sykes and Lizzie M. Sykes was born on August 20th, 1962 in Indianapolis, Indiana in the year of our Lord Jesus Christ. Kenneth graduated from Arlington High School in June 1981. Kenny accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Lord and Savior at an early age and later recommitted his life to Christ at Ferwent Prayer Church in January 2011. Kenny started his career as a sous chef at several restaurants in Indianapolis, Indiana, including the Oyster Bar and Rick's Cafe. Kenny's last place of employment was at Von Duprin where he worked on line at the factory. Kenny retired from Von Duprin due to health challenges. Kenny met the love of his life, Cheryl, while she was walking her dog, Nala, during the fall of 2010. Kenny and Cheryl were united in holy matrimony on August 25th, 2012 at Ferwent Prayer Church by Pastor James W. Jackson. Cheryl and Kenny's union was further blessed by the blending of Cheryl's three adult children, Jerelyn, Jared, and Harvin Jr (AJ). Kenny was

committed to his family and friends and was willing to serve wherever and whenever he was needed.

Kenny enjoyed music, football, classic cars, traveling and showing off his culinary and grilling

skills. Kenny loved dogs and considered Mercy, the family dog, "his dog".

Kenny transitioned from this life on Friday, March 18th, 2022, in the year of our Lord Jesus

Christ. Kenny was preceded in death by his parents, Eddie M. Sykes Sr. and Lizzie M. Sykes.

As well as his siblings, Yvonne "Cookie" Brown, James Sykes, Marilyn Sykes, Lee Sykes,

Margaret Woods, and Miriam Sykes.

Kenny is survived by his wife, the love of his life, and friend, Cheryl Sykes, his bonus children,

Jerelyn Wilson, Jared Loyd, and Harvin Loyd Jr. (AJ); his siblings, Eddie Sykes Jr., Madelon

Sykes-Dawson, Melinda Buford, Bryant Sykes, and Betty George (Kenny); as well as a host of

nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, grandchildren, and friends!

Kenneth Ray Sykes 59, passed on March 18, 2022. Services and visitation will be on Saturday, April 2, 2022 at Fervent Prayer Church, 10512 East 38th Street. Visitation will be from 10-12pm with services to follow at 12pm.

Entombment will be in Washington Park East Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Washington Park East

10612 East Washington Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46235

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 2. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Fervent Prayer Church  
10512 East 38th Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46235

## Service

APR 2. 12:00 PM (ET)

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10512 East 38th Street  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ *In our thoughts and prayers. Our deepest condolences. District Elder Drayton and Mother Mattie Travis and family*

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**District Elder Drayton Travis** - April 02, 2022 at 10:08 PM

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“ *With much love, I send sincere and heartfelt condolences to you, Pastor Cheryl and all your family and friends. I'm praying for continued strength that I know God has for your family and may He continue to keep His arms wrapped around each and every one of you, with many Blessings.*



*Love Vanessa Amos*

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**Vanessa Amos** - March 29, 2022 at 11:49 AM

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“ *Cheryl and members of the Sykes family, I was most appreciative of the unfaltering love and support extended to 'niece Ainee' and to me by association. I will surely miss the good food (especially that pretty fish), laughs and interactions. May the love you shared continue to enfold you, allow positive memories and sustain you in Jesus Christ!*

*Doc*

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**Dr. Z. Evans** - March 27, 2022 at 10:17 AM

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*Thank you Dr.Z...you are Ainee are loved and appreciated and thank you for the words of encouragement!*

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**Cheryl Sykes** - April 04, 2022 at 10:20 AM