



Doris Watkins

November 21, 1953 - May 9, 2011

Memorial services for Mrs. Doris Annette "Red" Watkins, 57 of Carthage will be at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, May 12, 2011 at the Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Freddy Mason officiating. Services are under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Mrs. Watkins passed away May 9, 2011 at her home in Carthage.

Mrs. Doris Annette Watkins was born November 21, 1953 in Tyler, Texas to Roy and Mattie Jean Loftis Van Sickle. Doris graduated from cosmetology school in 1971 and Panola College Nursing School in 1988, working twenty-three years as a nurse in Tyler, Carthage and surrounding areas before her retirement. She married Lucky Watkins on July 5, 1985, and they celebrated twenty-five years together.

Mrs. Watkins was a Baptist and loved her family and friends very much. She was preceded in death by her father, brother, Roy Van Sickle Jr., and father-in-law, Cy Watkins.

Mrs. Watkins is survived by her husband, Lucky Watkins of Carthage, son, Vance Watkins of Waco, daughter, Nish Watkins and Ryan White of Carthage, step-son, Scott Watkins and wife, Jennifer of Waco, step-daughter, Donna Wright and husband, Paul of Poolsville, mother, Mattie Jean Van Sickle, mother-in-law, June Watkins of Kilgore, brother, Dennis Earl Van Sickle, grandchildren, Mishael Gillispie, Colton Gillispie, Tristian Boniol, Stephanie Ferguson, and Andrew Braun, great grand-children Kodi Ferguson and Taylor Ferguson, favorite pets Lacy and Woodrow, numerous other relatives and a

host of friends.

The family requests that memorials be made to diabetes or pulmonary fibrosis research or the charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Service

MAY 12. 2:00 PM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel
307 W Wellington St.
Carthage, Tx

Tribute Wall

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“ *Josephine Etheridge lit a candle in memory of Doris Watkins*



Josephine Etheridge - August 17, 2025 at 05:08 PM

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“ *I'm her blood cousin I haven't seen any of my family since I was a teenager or since my mother died which was in my early twenties I just found this obituary.. my condolences to all the families and would like to get in touch with Roy Lee or Dennis Earl any of my family members I would love to get in touch with them sincerely Josephine Rita Etheridge (504) 679-2968.. Grandma Grider nicknamed me Polly... Please call I hope you get this leave a text message I get a lot of spam calls or email me totaleclipse0252@gmail.com*

Josephine Etheridge - August 17, 2025 at 05:06 PM



“ *Mr. Watkins and family,*

I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Mrs. Doris was always so kind the few times I met her.

Much love to you all.##imported-begin##Rebecca (Bryant) Fritschle##imported-end##

June 18, 2011 at 10:21 AM



“ I so lucky to have a mother that always supported me in anything I ever did or wanted to do! She always had smile and open hearted-
"Sure thing sweety!" Love ya' darlin!!" Her advice was great, but some time hard to swallow! I will miss talking with her or just play'n cards-and poken fun at each other!! I will miss her smile and laugh!!
When we see each other in heaven will have good talk and laugh-
my mother and friend! Aloha!!###imported-begin##Scott & Jennifer Watkins###imported-end##

May 15, 2011 at 01:43 PM



“ I met Mrs. Watkins when I worked in a dr office here in carthage, and we hit it off immediately. She had the most precious spirit, and was an inspiration to me in my nursing career. I will never forget the special care I received from her in October of 2009 while i was in ETMC. She was a beautiful person, and I will never forget her. Nish, Mr. Lucky and all the family please know you all are in my prayers.
love always,
ginger mckinzie###imported-begin##Ginger McKinzie###imported-end##

May 12, 2011 at 11:00 PM



“ Dear Grandma,
i love you tons...im going to miss you more than anyone else! you were always there for me when i needed you! You always did everything to keep a smile on my face. You didnt let work stop you from spending time with us. You are the best grandma anyone could ever ask for. I regret all those aruements i had with you. Just wish i could take them all back. Im going to miss watching csi with you. Just spending time with you really. I no you are better off now. Your not suffering anymore...i guess i will be seeing you soon in heaven. I LOVE YOU WITH ALL OF MY HEART!

YOUR GRANDSON, COLTON##imported-begin##Colton
Gillispie##imported-end##

May 12, 2011 at 09:57 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. I worked with Doris at the Henderson and Carthage hospital. She was so sweet and kind. Always gave me a hug when she seen me.
She was a kind and caring nurse to her patients.
She will be missed.##imported-begin##Lisa Head##imported-end##

May 12, 2011 at 05:35 PM



“ Mr. Watkins

I am sorry for your loss and want you to know that I am thinking of you and your family. Mrs. Doris was a wonderful lady.

Sincerely

Joshua##imported-begin##Joshua A Carter ##imported-end##

May 12, 2011 at 03:51 PM



“ Scott, Jennifer and family we are so very sorry to learn of your loss. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##John and Stacey Phillips##imported-end##

May 12, 2011 at 03:04 PM



“ Thinking of you during this time of sorrow,Praying that God will give you peace and comfort you.Doris was a very sweet lady and we will all miss her.##imported-begin##sherry wilson##imported-end##

May 12, 2011 at 02:13 PM

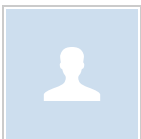


“ Luckey,

You and your family are in our hearts and prayers in this time of loss.Doris and you both made a difference in Savannah's life and I thank-you,if you ever need anything just call.

Stacy Speaks Pierce##imported-begin##Stacy Speaks Pierce##imported-end##

May 12, 2011 at 09:04 AM



“ Lucky,

I am sorry for your loss. You have been a great friend and mentor over the years, and I am praying for you,

Greg##imported-begin##Greg Fortenberry ##imported-end##

May 12, 2011 at 07:59 AM



“ So sorry to hear about the passing of Doris. I enjoyed very much the times she worked with us at ETMC Carthage. She was a very special person and I know she will be missed. May God bless the family and give you strength.##imported-begin##Patricia Jeffress##imported-end##

May 12, 2011 at 12:29 AM



“ Mr. Watkins, Nish, and classmate Vance! Your family is in my prayers..May God continue to be with you all in your time of bereavement.##imported-begin##Kiia Mitchell##imported-end##

May 11, 2011 at 10:08 PM



“ I am so very sorry about Doris. She was so incredibly sweet and will be missed.##imported-begin##Linda Nagle Wilkinson##imported-end##

May 11, 2011 at 07:39 PM



“ I have worked with Doris for many years here in Tyler. Needless to say, I was very shocked to hear of her passing. She was a good nurse and caring person. I know she will be missed. My hearts and prayers go out to her other friends and family. The world appears a little dimmer now. May god give you peace and understanding during this difficult time.....##imported-begin##Tricia Sims##imported-end##

May 11, 2011 at 04:03 PM



“ Words cannot even begin to express our sorrow..may the memories that you shared & the comfort of God help you during this difficult time. Dori was a wonderful lady and will tryly be missed.##imported-begin##Dot Cheatwood##imported-end##

May 11, 2011 at 03:16 PM



“ Lucky,

So sorry to hear about your loss. May God Bless you and your family today and always!

Sincerely,

Annette Johnson##imported-begin##Annette Johnson##imported-end##

May 11, 2011 at 01:14 PM



“ Nish, I am sorry about your loss. My prayer's are with you and your family.

It will get better, but its hard you will have good days and bad. But just remember how special your mom was and what a wonderful time you had together. When I get down I think of something me and dad did together that was funny and it always puts a smile on my face. If you ever need me just call and I will be there. Love you.##imported-begin##Tami Johnson##imported-end##

May 11, 2011 at 10:28 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family during this time of sorrow. May God watch over you and give you comfort.##imported-begin##Juanita and Troy Thedford##imported-end##

May 11, 2011 at 10:12 AM



“ Our deepest sympathies to Lucky and all the children. "When God calls, we answer His call."##imported-begin##Pierce & Sallie Bell Reeves##imported-end##

May 10, 2011 at 11:44 PM



“ Scott , Jennifer and Family, please know that you are in my family's prayers and thoughts. I know what a great loss a Mother is. May God Bless You##imported-begin##Linda Thrasher##imported-end##

May 10, 2011 at 11:16 PM



“ To the family of "Red" I just want to say what a wonderful lady she was and will be an excellent worker in Heaven. SHe will be missed on this earth but no longer suffering. May all our prayers go to you the family.##imported-begin##Patricia Locky Mcnease##imported-end##

May 10, 2011 at 10:52 PM



“ A very sweet lady that took being a mother very serious. I love her!##imported-begin##Susie King##imported-end##

May 10, 2011 at 10:48 PM



“ *Mr. Lucky, I was so sorry to learn of the passing of your wife. I pray that God will wrap his loving arms around you and your family.##imported-begin##Kimberley Hedges Funderburk##imported-end##*

May 10, 2011 at 09:30 PM



“ *Lucky, Vance,Nish,Mishael,Colton & Tristian, We are so sorry to hear about Doris. We loved her and we'll love her till we meet again. We love you all. And if there is anything that we can do please call us. We will miss Doris very deeply. Love you all Virgil & Doris Jean VanSickle##imported-begin##Virgil R. & Doris J.VanSickle##imported-end##*

May 10, 2011 at 08:05 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Doris was a wonderful lady. You are in our prayers.##imported-begin##Chuck & Teresa Balikes##imported-end##*

May 10, 2011 at 05:06 PM



“ Dear Mr. Lucky, Nish, Mishael, Colton & Tristian,

Heart felt sympathy for your loss, during the 5 years we lived across the street from Mrs. Doris, it was quiet evident her love for her family and pets.

I enjoyed the time you grands lived with your grandparents. You all are very entertaining! Especially, the time I was keeping "Woodrow" my daughter's cat while she and Nathan lived in an apartment that didn't allow pets...

I never forget the day I was calling Woodrow for several moments, when Mishael came out and told me he was in the house with you all. Shortly, after that he came to live there permanently!

I do regret that I never really got to know Mrs. Doris as well as I would have liked, she was such a worker that our time/schedules didn't allow for this.

Prayers...

Sincerely, June Dyke##imported-begin##June Dyke##imported-end##

May 10, 2011 at 01:27 PM



“ *Doris Watkins, you will be missed by all that were blessed to know you. Your contributions to your family, community, and all the patients you helped comfort and heal you are their angel. Life will never be the same without your physical presence, but your presence will always be felt in the hearts of those who love you. GOD has called you home rest peaceful he is taking care of you the way you have so many for so long. GOD blessed you and your family*###imported-begin##*Andy & Dena Derby*###imported-end##

May 10, 2011 at 02:16 AM



“ *Our thoughts are with you and your family in this time of need.*###imported-begin##*Frank and Sara Atwell*###imported-end##

May 09, 2011 at 10:15 PM



“ *OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY*###imported-begin##*GORDON AND DIANE KARR*###imported-end##

May 09, 2011 at 09:29 PM



“ *Remember that in your time of sorrow, she's rejoicing and smiling down on you and your family. Our thoughts are with you.*###imported-begin##*Steve and Annemarie Donaldson*###imported-end##

May 09, 2011 at 09:16 PM



“ *May God give you peace in this time of sorrow .##imported-begin##Robert Frakes##imported-end##*

May 09, 2011 at 07:19 PM



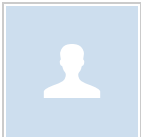
“ *You are in our prayers.##imported-begin##Derek L. Russell##imported-end##*

May 09, 2011 at 07:06 PM



“ *We are so very sorry to hear about your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in your time of need.##imported-begin##Mike and Amy Helfer##imported-end##*

May 09, 2011 at 07:04 PM



“ *Your family is in our prayers##imported-begin##Jody Krumnow and Family ##imported-end##*

May 09, 2011 at 07:03 PM