



Milford Tate

August 8, 1924 - December 28, 2012

Funeral services for Milford Tate, 88, of Henderson, will be at 2:00 p.m., Monday, Dec. 31, 2012 at First Baptist Church of Henderson with Revs. David Higgs officiating. Interment will follow at Rusk County Memorial Gardens under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home of Henderson. Visitation will be from 2 - 4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 30 at the funeral home. Mr. Tate passed away Friday, Dec. 28, 2012 at ETMC Henderson. He was born Aug. 8, 1924 in Crims Chapel and was a life-long resident of Rusk County. Milford was an Electrician by trade, and served in the US Army during World War II. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Henderson. He was preceded in death by his parents, Prue M. and Ethel Tate; and brothers, P.C. "Cooter" Tate, and Rex Tate. Survivors include: wife, Jean Tate; son, Bruce Tate, both of Henderson; sister-in-law, Ernestine Tate of Waco; and sister, Wanda Jo Young and husband Billy Joe of Longview. Pallbearers are Rayford Williams, Dalton Jones, Don Blair, Tommy Strong, Don Howard, and Richard Smith. Honorary pallbearers are Herschell's Coffee Club, Strong Pharmacy Coffee Club, Edward D. Jones Coffee Club, and First Baptist Church A Class. Condolences may be made online at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Previous Events

visitation

DEC 30. 2:00 PM (CT)

Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home
1414 S. Main St
Henderson, TX 75654

Tribute Wall

RD

“ Jean and Bruce, I was so sorry to hear about your loss. Tate was a great guy. I shall never forget the care he gave to others, his work at the church and his Christian model for me as a young adult. When he came to my home that was struck by lightning at 1:00 am to check the attic for a possible fire, that told the whole story of this outstanding man. God Bless you and keep the pictures, the talk, and the memories flowing.

Ray Deason - January 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ M.W. Tate family, I am so sorry to learn about Mr. Tate. I have known him since I worked at Henderson Insurance in the late 70s - and he rewired a house for me. Tate was such a nice person and I really enjoyed calling him my friend. I know he will be missed. I will pray for God to comfort your family.

Krista Furtick - January 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

VF

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Praying for God's peace.

Victor and Merry Rodriguez and family - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ Our condolences in regard to Tate's passing. The world has lost one of its finest and heaven has gained another saint.

Jack & Peggy Turner - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Jean and Bruce, Jean and Bruce, As you know Milton was such a great friend to Chad and I. He was someone we could talk to and it seemed to solve all of our problems or just make our day. He loved to talk about music and singing of which he and Chad had in common. I will always appreciate the impressions your love left on Chad, and you Both being a great Role Model for him in life. He will be missed greatly. Donna Boatwright Saffell (Chad's Mom)

Donna Boatwright Saffell - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ So sorry for your loss our thoughts and prayers are with you

Kash and Wanda Lambeth - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ I know Heaven rejoiced when Tate arrived to be with The Lord ! He is a wonderful Christian man that I am so proud to call my Uncle ! Our family had so many wonderful times through the years and I will miss my Uncle until I see him again one day ! I pray God will give Aunt Jean and Bruce strength and comfort during this difficult time. Praise God for His grace in sending us Jesus and thank You Jesus for Your accomplishment on the cross. Thank you Uncle Tate for your influence on my life !

Roger Moore - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ Jean, I pray God will Bless you with strength, peace, comfort and beautiful memories during this time of loss. Tate was a special man and will be missed so very much Gale Austin

Gale Austin - December 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Tate, I don't know what to say. I'm heartbroken that you are gone, but I'm glad you are all healed up and seeing your loved ones in Heaven. Our friendship meant the world to me. Thank you sir for being a role model and like a dad to me. Enjoy Heaven and drink some coffee up there and we will see you so. I will never forget you. I love you Tate. Rest in Peace.

Chad Boatwright - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Dear Jean and Bruce, So much has changed on Hubbard Drive this year. Tate was such an interesting character, making us all envious with his precision of finding hot wires with his bare hands!!! If only we could have had such nerve!!! we were all amazed. Love to you both at this time of great loss. I will remember our years as neighbors with a big ole smile! Love, Lorraine

Lorraine White - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ All I ever knew him by was "Tate" while we were attending church at Crim's Chapel. He was our church pianist and we kids were amazed that he played by ear. He could play anything on the piano just by listening to the tune first. He enjoyed joking and cutting up with us kids and my thoughts go to his family at this time. Billy Martin Longview, Texas

Billy Martin - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ No finer man ever walked the streets of Rusk County. He was truly a Christian gentleman and our friend. We loved him dearly. Norman and Mary B Davis

Mary B and Norman Davis - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM