



James Hallam Tate

September 18, 1945 - December 11, 2017

Funeral services for James Tate, 72, of Serbin, Texas, are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 14, 2017 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Serbin with Rev. John Schmidt officiating. Burial, with military honors provided by the Giddings American Legion York Post 276, will immediately follow in the church cemetery. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, December 13, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. and on Thursday, December 14, 2017 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:30 a.m. at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The Tate family will be present for visitation Wednesday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

James Hallam Tate was born on September 18, 1945 in Brenham, Texas to Milton York Tate Sr. and Miriam McGregor (Phillips) Tate. He was baptized on August 8, 1959 at the First Presbyterian Church in Giddings by Rev. Walter T. Bowden and professed his faith through adult confirmation on February 13, 1977 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Serbin by Rev. Arthur Graf. He graduated from Giddings High School in 1964, attended Blinn Junior College, and graduated with a Bachelors Degree in Business from Sam Houston State University. James was united in marriage to Linda Faye Kappler on June 30, 1973 in the chapel of the Giddings State School in Giddings by Rev. Willard Rother. He joined the US Army in February of 1966, was discharged in January of 1969, and served another 13 years in the Texas National Guard. James was one of the first employees hired at the Giddings State School and

retired as a purchasing agent. He was later employed as the business manager of Immanuel Lutheran Church for several years and also served as the City of Giddings Municipal Judge. James was an active member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Serbin where he had served several terms as treasurer and was also on the picnic finance committee. James honored other veterans by being on the Giddings American Legion York Post 276 firing squad for several years.

James passed away suddenly the morning of Monday, December 11, 2017 at his home in Serbin.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Milton & Miriam Tate; step-mother, Elner Hempel Tate; parents-in-law, Otto & Alma Kappler; one brother-in-law, Dr. Leo Neal Namken; two sisters-in-law, Josie Kasper and Ruth Lehmann & her husband, Roy and one niece, Susan Tate.

James is survived by his wife, Linda Tate of Serbin; son, John Tate of Serbin; daughter, Liana Adair & her husband, Luke of Serbin; two grandchildren, Joshua and Sharron Adair of Serbin; one brother, Milton Tate and his wife, Twila of Brenham; two sisters, Eola Nell Alspaw & her husband, Ivan of Dallas and Miriam Namken of Weslaco; one sister-in-law, Jeanette Mitschke & her husband, Rudie of Houston; two brothers-in-law, Paul Kappler & his wife, Happy of Serbin and C.W. Kasper Jr. of Serbin as well as several nieces and nephews.

Serving as pallbearers are Jon Alspaw, Joel Alspaw, James Namken, Chris Cangelosi, Scott Ehlert, Frank Mooney and Cliff Lazarine. Honorary pallbearers are Alton Weiser, Paul Fischer and Dennis Kurio.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church Building Fund or to the charity of one's choice.

Cemetery Details

St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery of Serbin

1572 County Road 211
Giddings, TX 78942

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 13. 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings
3950 East Austin Street
Giddings, TX 78942

Family Present for Visitation

DEC 13. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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3950 East Austin Street
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Visitation

DEC 14. 7:00 AM - 8:30 AM (CT)

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Church Service

DEC **14**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church of Serbin
1572 County Road 211
Giddings, TX 78942
<http://stpaulserbin.org>

Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James Hallam Tate*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - December 13, 2017 at 12:16 PM

EH

“ *Linda,
We are so saddened to learn of losing James, and so suddenly. Our thoughts and prayers will continue to be with you and your family. What a grand reunion we will have someday in heaven - as the crowd gets bigger and bigger.
With deepest sympathy,
Eugene & Sylvia Hemmann*

Eugene & Sylvia Hemmann - February 02, 2018 at 12:24 PM

GW

“ *Offering heartfelt condolences John.
Grace Walker*

Grace Walker - December 21, 2017 at 02:31 PM

RG

“ With deepest sympathy over the loss of your loved one, James. May the power of prayer ease your sorrow, give you peace and provide much comfort for you during this difficult time. Matthew 21:22

Rebecca Galaviz - December 20, 2017 at 02:47 PM

JD

“ Linda--so sorry for your loss. Sending hugs, love and prayers to you and your family during this difficult time. God Bless



Janie Droemer - December 18, 2017 at 12:17 PM

KB

“ Dear Linda, John, and family,

Sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Chuck & Karen Buschardt (Houston, TX)

Karen Buschardt - December 15, 2017 at 09:47 PM

VN

“ We are so sorry to hear about James, he and I worked together for many years and he will be missed. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Vickie and Darrel Neutzler

Vickie and Darrel Neutzler - December 14, 2017 at 04:10 PM

PH

“ Linda and family, we were enveloped with sadness to hear of James's passing.
My husband and James met in Germany while serving in the US Army. I am enclosing the pictures. It seems like yesterday. James was a wonderful, warm, funny and respectful guy, he illuminated so many lives. If we had more guys like James the world would be a much less chaotic place. My words are meaningless for anybody that did not have the privilege to know him. He will rest with angels and we will live with wonderful memories of him. I speak for many.

Louis Alan and Erika Phillips, Roanoke, VA

phillips - December 13, 2017 at 07:20 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Hallam Tate.



December 13, 2017 at 02:50 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Hallam Tate.



December 13, 2017 at 12:57 PM

LP

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Louis Phillips - December 13, 2017 at 11:08 AM



“ 49 files added to the album Life Tributes



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - December 13, 2017 at 11:05 AM

BA

“ Byron, Nikki & Andrew purchased the Imperial Purple Orchid for the family of James Hallam Tate.



Byron, Nikki & Andrew - December 13, 2017 at 10:34 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of James Hallam Tate.*



December 13, 2017 at 09:32 AM



“ *Calvin And Janis Hannes lit a candle in memory of James Hallam Tate*



Calvin and Janis Hannes - December 12, 2017 at 11:50 PM



“ *Our heartfelt condolences to the family.*

Calvin and Janis Hannes - December 12, 2017 at 11:48 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of James Hallam Tate.*



December 12, 2017 at 09:45 PM



“ *I am so very sorry. I am praying for peace and comfort for all of you.*
Amanda Medley

Amanda Medley - December 12, 2017 at 07:13 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Hallam Tate.*



December 12, 2017 at 02:04 PM



“ *Linda, our deepest sympathy to you and your family. Will keep ya'll in my prayers.*

Dorothy Cook - December 12, 2017 at 01:49 PM



“ *Linda, you and your family have my deepest sympathy. James was such a good guy and I will always remember our high school days and what a fun person he was to be around. It was always a pleasure to work with both of you on our GHS 50's & 60's reunions. When I saw James in October, I didn't know he would be gone so soon. He is going to really be missed.*
Ruth Crouch

Ruth Crouch - December 12, 2017 at 01:35 PM



“ *We are so sorry to hear of the death of James. Our sympathies to the family. May God grant you peace at this time of sorrow.*

Dianna and Clarence Mitschke

Dianna Mitschke - December 12, 2017 at 11:22 AM



“ Linda, our deepest sympathy is with you and your family. James was a joy to have as a friend and to be around. We will be praying for you and your family. God’s love and grace are always with you.



Lory Mitschke - December 12, 2017 at 09:21 AM



“ Monroe & Eleanor Krause lit a candle in memory of James Hallam Tate



Monroe & Eleanor Krause - December 12, 2017 at 09:17 AM



“ I am truly sorry for your loss. May he Rest In Peace.



Laurie Kubiak - December 12, 2017 at 01:10 AM



“ Linda, wishing you and your family strength and peace.



Dolly Droemer Hoeinghaus - December 11, 2017 at 11:34 PM

IB

“ James was almost a member of our household when we were young. I think of him as a little brother and we will miss his smile and good humor.

Iris Bohr - December 11, 2017 at 09:19 PM

DS

“ Dwayne, Diana & Emily Schulze lit a candle in memory of James Hallam Tate



Dwayne, Diana & Emily Schulze - December 11, 2017 at 08:21 PM

DS

“ With our sincere sympathy. Prayers for the family. Robert and Diane Schmidt.



Diane Schmidt - December 11, 2017 at 06:48 PM

AP

“ Arvella Polka lit a candle in memory of James Hallam Tate



arvella polka - December 11, 2017 at 06:12 PM

AS

“ I have known the gentleman for many years. He was always so friendly and kind. I was always pleased to see and visit with him. A good Christian man.

May the Lord rest his soul and give him peace. Prayers for the family, and remember we will see him again. Thank you Lord for allowing us to have him in our lives, it was a true blessing.

Alan & Ann Spence - December 11, 2017 at 05:26 PM

PA

Linda we are so sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family.
Walter and Patsy Arldt

Patsy Arldt - December 12, 2017 at 10:19 PM