



Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes

February 20, 1924 - June 29, 2020

Funeral services for Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes will be held Wednesday, July 1 at 3:00 o'clock at the new First Pentecostal Church located on West Church Street in Lexington where she was a longtime member. Bro. Bobby and Bro. David Beecham will officiate her services and interment will follow at Sand Ridge Cemetery in Henderson County. The friends are asked to wear masks and respect social distancing guidelines.

Born on February 20th of 1924, one of five children to McKinley and Ruby Wood Tate, Mrs. Rhodes was a lifelong resident of Henderson County. Interesting facts about Mrs. Lyndel, in her 96 years, she only left Tennessee twice and only drove a car, one time, and that was just for a distance less than a mile! Mrs. Rhodes worked at Salant and Salant from the early 1950's until 1969 and then became a baby sitter for many different children over the years as they were growing up.

Music and song have always been a part of Mrs. Lyndel's life, starting when she was just nine years old, becoming a part of the Sand Ridge Harmonica Band, a group that was formed to teach the harmonica to its members. This was a talent that she enjoyed for the rest of her life. In fact, just three weeks ago when she was admitted to an assisted care facility, she played the harmonica for them as well as the other residents. In addition to the harmonica, she taught herself how to play the guitar, piano, autoharp and

even the fiddle. Making music was woven into her soul, writing everything from poems to songs. In 2005, on the way back to her home after visiting her son, Buddy in middle Tennessee, she penned the words to “Little House on the Hill” which described her homeplace. In 2017 this song was recorded by Willie Nelson on his God’s Problem Child album, an amazing achievement by a 92-year-old great grandmother at the time! This song and other harmonica songs of hers will be played at her funeral on Wednesday.

Family was important to Mrs. Lyndel and she was blessed to be a part of multiple generations. Survivors include her sons: Tim D. (Mary Ann) Rhodes of Lexington and Buddy (Billie) Cannon of Goodletsville; daughters: Kim (Tim) Bishop of Jackson, Judy (Larry) Vise of Lexington and Brenda Joan Glaser of Indianapolis, IN; a brother, Morris Tate Sr. of Bartlett and a sister, Jackie Anderson of Lexington; there are 12 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren and 4 great great grandchildren. Preceding Mrs. Rhodes in her death was her husband, Orville “Ikey” Rhodes, and brothers, Ben and Dalton Tate.

And if you knew Mrs. Lyndel or have seen her on YouTube playing one of her many songs, you’ll know that she has a unique way of finishing. It’s just three words and a great way to end her story as well, “Show’s Over Folks”.

Cemetery Details

Sand Ridge Cemetery

Highway 412 West
Lexington, TN

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 1. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

First Pentecostal Church
9491 HWY 412W
Lexington, TN 38351

Church Service

JUL 1. 3:00 PM - 3:45 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ I am very sorry to hear about our loss of a lovely woman. Her heart, love, and compassion "shined" through her music and love of life. God really took an Angel from all of her fans, family, and friends. I did not know her personally but somehow I found myself talking to Buddy through Facebook viewing all musical videos he shares, including his Mamma playing her harmonica!! God Bless her and God Bless all her family, friends, and fans for truly she will be missed by all.

Cindy Melchior, Bath PA

Cindy Deemer Melchior - July 19, 2020 at 12:05 PM



“ Cotton Rhodes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes



Cotton Rhodes - July 02, 2020 at 10:23 PM



“ She was quite a lady. Lots of memories of a truly kind and gentle lady! Could never forget my juice harp playing aunt.

Jerry

Jerry Tate - July 01, 2020 at 01:17 PM

SB

“ *Sheila Blankenship lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes*



Sheila Blankenship - July 01, 2020 at 11:01 AM

SB

I'm so sorry Kim and family. She was a wonderful lady. Prayers for you all.

Sheila Blankenship - July 01, 2020 at 11:02 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes.*



July 01, 2020 at 10:44 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes.*



July 01, 2020 at 10:37 AM

PM

“ So sorry for your loss. Praying for all of you in this difficult time.



Penny McAdams - July 01, 2020 at 10:17 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes.



July 01, 2020 at 09:03 AM

TF

“ The Lamantia Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes.



The Lamantia Family - July 01, 2020 at 08:35 AM

KS

“ She would talk about when she was a kid, during the revival season at the area churches she would ride it a horse drawn wagon. She told that my dad, who was her first cousin, would sometimes ride with them to church. Prayers for the family.

Kenneth Scott - July 01, 2020 at 08:13 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes.



July 01, 2020 at 07:26 AM



“ Debbie Broerse lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes



Debbie Broerse - July 01, 2020 at 06:32 AM



Deepest Condolences to the Cannon Family. Much love from the Lamantia family. What a life 96 years-ml

Mickey Lamantia - July 01, 2020 at 08:38 AM



“ Rob And Kathy Renfroe lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes



Rob and Kathy Renfroe - July 01, 2020 at 04:15 AM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes.



July 01, 2020 at 12:39 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes.



July 01, 2020 at 12:38 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes.



July 01, 2020 at 12:35 AM



“ *Rose Garden Heart* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes.



June 30, 2020 at 11:53 PM

SC

“ *Sandi Cagle lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes*



Sandi Cagle - June 30, 2020 at 11:49 PM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes.*



June 30, 2020 at 11:03 PM

DT

“ *I so enjoyed the videos Buddy would post of this precious lady. Wish I could have met her and talked awhile. May God bless the family.*

Deborah Thompson - June 30, 2020 at 10:08 PM

TL

“ *I only knew you as Buddy Cannon's mother thru your videos with Buddy. You were a joy to listen to and I could feel the joy and love that was shared in your beautiful playing and Buddy's devotion to visit you and introduce you to all the followers you had on Facebook. I know your family loved you very much and now God has a great harmonica player as the angels sing Precious Memories as you play and shake you feet..Tom Long*

Tom Long - June 30, 2020 at 09:52 PM



“ *Merlon Shipman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes*



Merlon Shipman - June 30, 2020 at 09:36 PM



“ *Bruce, Joyce Hughes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes*



Bruce, Joyce Hughes - June 30, 2020 at 09:34 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes.*



June 30, 2020 at 09:27 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes.*



June 30, 2020 at 09:25 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes.



June 30, 2020 at 09:08 PM



“ from; Helga & Willie McKee purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes.



from; Helga & Willie McKee - June 30, 2020 at 08:54 PM



“ 7 files added to the album Memories Album



Billie Cannon - June 30, 2020 at 08:47 PM

GW

“ Mrs Rhodes did sewing for my family and made the bridesmaids dresses for my wedding. Her and Ikey were really good people. We were neighbors for awhile. Her smile and laughter is what we will remember too.

Gene & Tina Williams - June 30, 2020 at 08:37 PM

CS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Christine Souders - June 30, 2020 at 08:34 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes.



June 30, 2020 at 08:19 PM



“ lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes



June 30, 2020 at 08:13 PM

Tony N
Redonna
Overman

“ Tony N Redonna Overman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes



Tony N Redonna Overman - June 30, 2020 at 07:39 PM

DB

“ Danny & Shelia Beecham lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lyndel "MamaLyn" Tate Rhodes



Danny & Shelia Beecham - June 30, 2020 at 07:11 PM

SM

Loved this sweet lady almost of my life. She was my siister in law for a long time. My love and sadness goes out to the family. Especially my nephew (Buddy) and nieces Brenda. Joan and Judy. Love to all all.

Sue Melton - June 30, 2020 at 07:32 PM

JA

A very sweet Lady. I have known her for a long time. I Played in the band with her when I was very young. She was know well at Sandridge.

Jo Ann Anderson - June 30, 2020 at 08:44 PM