



# Donald Doyle Tate,

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## **Donald Doyle Tate,**

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**D**onald Doyle Tate, Sr., 74, of Decatur, passed away Thursday, September 15, 2016, at his home, with his family by his side.

Donald was born October 22, 1941, in Decatur, to Robert Henry and Ada Marie (Rex) Tate, Sr. He served in the Army from 1961 to 1963. He married Grace Larck on December 19, 1959, in Decatur.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Grace; one son, Donald (Terri) Tate, Jr. of Decatur; one daughter, Donna Tate of Decatur; three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; five brothers, Robert Tate of Decatur, Clyde (Corliss) Heckwine of Argenta, John (Charlotte) Ennis of Champaign, Charles (Linda) Heckwine of Oreana and Danny (Betty Jo) Heckwine of Decatur; three sisters, Anna Vest of Maroa, Mary Jane (Scott) O'Keefe of Kentucky and Catherine (Bill) Bonacorsi of LaGrange, GA. He was preceded in death by his parents.

The family would like to give special thanks to close friends and family who cared for Donald and his family.

Funeral services to celebrate the life of Donald Tate, Sr. will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, September 20, 2016, at Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home. Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday, September 19, 2016, at the funeral home. Burial will be in Graceland Cemetery where full military rites will be conducted by the Macon County Honor Guard. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to DMH Hospice or Cancer Care Specialist.

The family of Donald Tate, Sr. is being served by Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home, 2091 N. Oakland Avenue, Decatur, IL. View the online obituary and send condolences to the family at [www.gracelandfairlawn.com](http://www.gracelandfairlawn.com).



## Tribute Wall

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KD

**Kris Hay-Disney** posted:

Our condolences to your family. Your neighbors, the Disney's.

September 19 at 1:49 PM

SM

**Shannon Moody** posted:

Grace im so sorry for your loss after riding your bus i was given the honor of working with don for years . He was a great coworker / oven trainer and a hell of a man i will remember him forever!!!  
Sincerely Shannon I moody

September 19 at 12:04 PM

HC

**Howard Caudle** posted:

The Caudle family wants to say were sorry for for your loss, your family are in our prayers

September 17 at 10:00 AM

AC

**Ann Cave** posted:

I am so very very sorry. Words just don't express my feelings.

September 16 at 5:17 AM

AC

**Ann Cave** posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Donald Doyle Tate,

September 16 at 5:15 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Donald by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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