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Anthony Ray "Andy" Tate

Services for Anthony Ray "Andy" Tate, age 47, of Chandler, Texas, were held on Wednesday, January 4, 2006, at 10 a.m. in the Faith Baptist Church of Chandler with Rev. Ralph Johnston officiating. Interment followed in Chandler Memorial Park with arrangements under the direction of Tyler Memorial Funeral Home, Tyler.

Pallbearers included Scott Yates, Jonathan Tate, Mike Krukoski, James Bolt, David Young and Bruce Hall.

Mr. Tate died January 1, 2006, in Tyler in a tragic vehicle accident.

He was born June 20, 1958 along with his twin sister, Vicki Marie, in Rusk, Texas. His family later moved to Grapeland where he attended public school there. They later moved to Slocum, and he graduated from Slocum High School in 1976.

Andy was a faithful member of Faith Baptist Church, and had served his country in the U.S. Army. He worked in maintenance at the Pine Cove Christian Camp,

Tyler.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Martha Wilcox Blanton, on January 6, 1998, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hulén Wilcox and Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Tate.

Survivors include his wife, Connie Tate, Chandler; son, Jonathan Ray Tate, San Antonio; daughters, Katrina Rene Tate and Jessie Nicole Tate, both of McAllen; stepsons, Aaron Samuel Cummings and Nicholas Lynn Cummings, both of Chandler; father and step-mother, Ray and Doris Tate, Tyler; twin sister, Vicki and husband Jerome Skufca of Portland, Oregon; sister Nancy and husband Nathan Keel of Slocum; brother, Floyd and wife Gina Tate of Palestine; three granddaughters, Triana, Haley and Ellie of McAllen; Uncle, Lacey Wilcox, Rusk; Aunts, Marie Richardson and Jayce Sparkman, Rusk, Peggy Yates, Grapeland, May Kellum, Fairfield.