



Brenda (Tate) Stotts

November 15, 1939 - September 26, 2014

(Ruby) Brenda (Tate) Stotts

(Ruby) Brenda (Tate) Stotts, 74, passed from this life Friday, morning, September 26, 2014 at St. John's Hospital, Tulsa, after a brief illness. Funeral services will be at 2:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 30, 2014 at the First Church of the Nazarene, Bartlesville with Pastor Russell Hosey officiating.

Interment will be at Ramona Cemetery following the service under the direction of the Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory.

Born on November 15, 1939 to Paul W. and Theobell (Tucker) Tate in Oglesby, Brenda received her education in Bartlesville. played violin in the school orchestra, and graduated from College High School in 1957. In 1959, she attained an associate degree from Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College, Miami, where she was active in Norse Stars and worked in the school library. She was then employed in the research and development library of Phillips Petroleum Company. During that time, she met J.D. Stotts, whom she married on June 29, 1963, and they made their home in Bartlesville. She quit working a few years later to raise their children and to volunteer in church, school and community activities, including Bellringer School. Brenda returned to work in her husband's accounting firm, John D. Stotts and Company, serving as office manager.

Brenda was active in the First Church of the Nazarene, where she served on various committees and sang in the choir. She was interested in culinary arts

and fine arts, especially music and sewing, and loved designing costumes for children's musical drama presentations at her church. Brenda researched, designed and sewed most of the costumes used in Bartlesville First Nazarene's annual production of "The Promise of Hope." She also sewed costumes for several Bartlesville High School drama department productions, and delighted in teaching some students the finer points of sewing. She was a long time member and leader in Community Bible Study. Brenda enjoyed traveling with her husband, family and friends, and spent hours scrapbooking about their adventures and about her grandchildren.

Brenda is survived by her husband of 51 years, J.D., of Bartlesville, a son, Greg Stotts, of Longmont, Colorado, and his son, Benjamin Stotts, of Baldon, England; a daughter, Dana Stotts Chance and her children, Payton Chance, Paige Chance, and Braden Chance, of Tulsa; her mother, Theobell Tate, and sister, Elaine Tate Gaut and husband Bob of Bartlesville; and her sister-in-law, Nadine Bloom of Broken Arrow; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was preceded in death by her father, Paul W. Tate, and her brother, Ronald P. Tate, and a great-nephew, Paul Tate.

Donations may be made to the First Church of the Nazarene, 3650 S.E. Adams Blvd., Bartlesville, Okla., 74006 or to Willis-Embok Disease (RLS) Foundation, 1530 Greenview Drive S.W, Suite 210, Rochester, MN 55902

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Tribute Wall



“ *Brenda (Tate) Stotts*

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ *Brenda (Tate) Stotts*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *What a precious lady*

Ann Williams - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *I have so many nice memories of Brenda! She was always so sweet and caring! She loved loved loved her family!!!
Thoughts and prayers to the family !!*

Mary Lou Lively Long - December 21, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *J.D. have not seen you for so long but cousins always remain close. So sorry for you and your families loss. Thank goodness for lovely memories over many years.*

Linda Brown Clark - October 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *Brenda was such a kind and caring person who looked for opportunities to serve the Lord. In our home she was the "costume lady" as she dedicated many hours creating costumes for musical productions at church. Our son, Quinten, always looked forward to seeing what she had created for the programs and could frequently be found playing in the backyard wearing one of Brenda's creations. She will be missed by many who loved and knew her.*

Jon and Rhonda Willcox - September 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ *So very sorry for your loss! I met Brenda through Linger Longer Antiques. She was always friendly and kind and a truly classy lady. Very saddened that she has left us too early. Praying that God's love will surround her family at this difficult time.*

Teresa Diller - September 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ *Brenda made herself known soon as we arrived to be pastor. She was very active in her church, singing in choir and childrens ministry. Brenda was full of life at our parties. She made newcomers Welcome with her kind words and Big smile. A wonderful follower of Jesus has a new home. Bless her memories. JD and family are in our prayers. kb*

Keith & Joan Bottles - September 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *We are so sorry for your great loss. We will have your family in our prayers.*

Marvin & Sherry Mooney - September 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ *Brenda was our very dear friend and wonderful neighbor. We will truly miss her. Rest in peace.* ”

GB & Judy Brown - September 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ *I so very sorry for your loss. I send my prayers to your family.* ”

betty watkins - September 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ *Our thoughts & prayers are with you. Brenda was a good friend & I learned much from her. She will be missed.* ”

Mary Lou Long - September 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SO

“ *Brenda was such a wonderful lady and God truly blessed her with many talents. We will miss her so much. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.* ”

Steve and Sandy O'Neal - September 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ *Brenda Stotts was the first person to greet us when we moved to Bartlesville in 1974. And "greet" is a subtle word for her smiling, cheerful, enthusiastic welcome that captured us on that first Sunday at Bartlesville First Church of the Nazarene. Brenda told me not to worry about employment, that she would find me a job. AND SHE DID -- within a week... Such an extraordinary, giving person. I love every memory of her. I know your family will miss her so very deeply.* ”

Barry and Brenda Meyers - September 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ We thought a lot of Brenda and are sadden to hear of her passing. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. May God Bless and carry each one of you through this difficult time.

Jan & Richard Gaddis - September 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Brenda took me in when I started coming to BFC in 1974. Her generosity and friendliness spanned 30 plus years in the church. We sang together in the choir, we raised our children together, we celebrated life events together, and sadly I moved to OKC in 2001 and was not able to see Brenda very many times after that. Brenda and her family have always meant a great deal to my family. I will be praying for the family as they walk through this great loss of a wife, mother, daughter, sister, grandmother and friend. The world was a better place because of Brenda.

Donna Labadie Anderson - September 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AL

“ With my deepest condolences at this time of loss.

Anne Clark Lott - September 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

VT

“ I believe I first met Brenda about four years ago when my husband, Jay, introduced me to her during a family visit. I immediately felt that I had known her all my life because she was warm, friendly, and very loving. I always looked forward to seeing her and her family whenever we came to Oklahoma, and we kept in touch on occasion through letters and emails. I believe that one of the goals in life is to leave this realm/planet a better place than when you entered, and Brenda certainly did just that. She truly touched the lives of all people with whom she came in contact. She left a legacy of love and beauty to her family and all who knew her. I/We truly loved her and will miss her beautiful smile and loving presence so very much...and I/we were so blessed to have had her in our lives, even though, in my case, for such a short but precious period of time. Until we meet again, Brenda, we love you so much...always.

Valerie and Jay Tate - September 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Your family is in our prayers.

Susie McMillon Parris - September 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Sometimes there are no perfect words, only thoughtful silences that whisper of caring.

Suzanne Harlan - September 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM