



## James Tate

November 9, 1924 - January 7, 2008

James Edward "Baby" Tate A native of Tangipahoa and a resident of Kentwood, "Baby" passed away at his residence Monday, January 7, 2008. He was 83. He is survived by two daughters, Carolyn Tate of Baton Rouge and Beth Hagan with her husband, Russ of Amite. He leaves behind two grandchildren, Mike Welch and Stacey Smith; four great grandchildren, Christina Smith, Ray Smith, Trent Smith and Olivia Welch; two brothers, Casey and George Henry Tate. Also survived by his longtime companion and friend, Mattie Meades. "Baby" was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Spalino and his sister, Fairy Viola. A special "thanks" to his caregivers, nurse Kim, Linda, Rose and Lashonda. Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral services from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home of Hammond Sunday, January 13th at 1:00 p.m. conducted by Rev. L.C. Lord. The family requests that visiting hours be observed at the funeral home chapel beginning at 11:00 a.m. Interment will follow in Tangipahoa Cemetery. Condolences and other information available online at [www.bgthompsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.bgthompsonfuneralhome.com) Arrangements have been entrusted to Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home of Hammond.