



## Canaveral Rose Koontz

August 2, 1925 - May 26, 2015

Canaveral Rose Tucker Koontz, 89, of Orlando, FL, passed away from natural causes on Tuesday, May 26, 2015, at her home.

She was born on August 2, 1925, in Cape Canaveral, FL, the daughter of William Andrew Tucker and Flora Tucker, of Cape Canaveral, FL, and was a descendant of pioneers in Cape Canaveral, FL.

She was a natural, realistic portrait artist; a singer; and a songwriter. She played the piano, organ, accordion, and guitar. She has written approximately 300 songs. Most of her songs are Country Gospel. In 1974, she published a book of lyrics with 31 of her songs, entitled "Life-Giving Lyrics".

She has also written several folk songs, a few of which are "My Canaveral Lighthouse", "The Delightful Florida Waltz", and "Turtle Crossing" (a/k/a "Hey, Hey, Mr. Turtle").

Canaveral Rose graduated from Orlando Senior High School in 1943.

Preceding her in death were her parents, William Andrew Tucker and Flora Tucker; and her siblings, William Andrew (W.A.) Tucker, John Elmo Tucker, Shirley Elbert Tucker, Flossie Mae Tucker-Simmons, Holley Abra Tucker, Degene Vernon Tucker, Daisy Annie Tucker, Beulah Jean Tucker-Redditt, and

Iona Belle Tucker-Lyles.

She is survived by her husband, Harry I. Koontz, Jr., of Orlando, FL; sons, J. Wayne Partin, of Kissimmee, FL, and C. Ed Lipsey, of St. Cloud, FL; daughters, Faye D. Kalapp, of Bloomington, IL, and Kaye L. Roig, of Orlando, FL; grandsons, John L. Partin, of Kissimmee, and Will A. Partin, of Kissimmee, FL; granddaughters, Amarissa Kalapp and Briana Kalapp; and many nephews and nieces.

A memorial service will be held for her at Fort Christmas Cemetery Chapel in Fort Christmas, FL, on Saturday, May 30, 2015, at 1:00pm. Viewing is from 11:00am-1:00pm.

# Tribute Wall



“ *John Wayne Partin was added to the Family Tree.* ”

Charlene Partin - May 29, 2015 at 07:13 PM



“ *Charlene Partin lit a candle in memory of Canaveral Rose Koontz* ”



Charlene Partin - May 29, 2015 at 07:11 PM



“ *In loving memory of a very special and loving lady.* ”

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“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Canaveral Rose Koontz.* ”



May 28, 2015 at 08:32 AM