



*"Sing to Him a new song,
play skillfully, and shout for joy."
Psalms 33:3 NIV*

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Welcome

Welcome to the official website for Kathy's Keyboards, owned and operated by Kathy Heine Overfield, piano and music teacher, performer, and recording artist.

This website is in place to allow me to communicate with my students, colleagues, as well as prospective clients, and to share upcoming events and information. The links to the left will guide you smoothly through the website. If you have any questions or concerns, you are always welcome to [contact me](#).

Remembering my Mother-in-Law, Tommie Overfield Maddux



On a beautiful warm summer afternoon this July in Henderson, Kentucky, we gathered to say goodbye to our mother, grandmother and mother-in-law. In the distance, there was the threat of rain, with dark clouds forming. This threat also produced a nice breeze which was welcomed in the heat. Luckily, this storm would hold up until we were leaving the cemetery.

As we stood there waiting for Tommie's casket to arrive, it struck me how odd it looked to see our daughters' names on the two headstones. Hallie's name was on her great grandmother Hallie's headstone. Tommie's name was on her grandmother Tommie's headstone. I realized then what a wonderful legacy our daughters carried. They both are the namesakes of two very special ladies. I hope that they realize the importance of their names but more than that, the

beauty of their names because of the beauty of the two women who carried the names first.

I remember being in the hospital after "little" Tommie was born and "big" Tommie came into the room. She asked if we were really going to name our baby Tommie. We told her yes and she said that the baby was going to be in for a tough life because everyone would think that she was a boy. She knew this from first hand experience. She was right. The doctor's office still to this day asks when "his" birthday is when I

call for an appointment! Yet with her doubts, it was such a joy to see the pleasure that "big" Tommie received from having our little girl named after her.

As sad as that afternoon was, we were happy to see that Tommie was able to be brought home from Albuquerque to rest beside Glenn's Dad...a man that I never got to meet, yet I feel like I know him. He has been made real to me by the stories that I have heard, but more importantly by the strong character that I see in his son, Glenn.

Glenn went to pick up the phone Sunday night to call his Mom like he has for every Sunday night since we have been married, only to realize that she was no longer there. She is there, though. We have memories that will live in our hearts for a lifetime. Mental pictures of her being there for both births, giving the girls their first bath, curling their hair, teaching them to do the jitterbug, showing them how to knit, attempting to teach me how to cook Mexican food (the important word here is attempting!) We will really miss her.

[Click here to enjoy the photos of the person that Hallie and Tommie called Me-Maw and Glenn called Mom.](#) I gave Tommie a magnet that she kept on her refrigerator that said, "How blessed I am and fortunate I've been, that you are my mother-in-law and also my friend."



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