

# Mataponi Memories Throughout the Years



Welcome Matalums to our book of Mataponi Memories! We hope you find joy in taking a trip down memory lane through your summers at camp.

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# Birthday Ball

<u>Year</u>	<u>Winter</u>	<u>Spring</u>	<u>Summer</u>	<u>Fall</u>
2004	Where's Winter	Spring Ca-Ching	Summer Myth	Fall Dahl
2005	Winter Wish	Spring Space	SumLuck	Fall Flavor
2006	Winter Rhyme	Spring Ring	Summer Cadabra	Fall Marks the Spot
2007	Wake Up Winter	SpringSteem	SuperSummer	Falloween
2008	Wherefore art thou Winter	SirSpring	SummerFari	Oh the places Fall goes
2009	Winter	Spring into Action	SumWhere	MardiFall
2010	WinterScore	iSpring	100 Summers	Fallow our Beat
2011	WinterCharm	Spring Studios	SummerCity	Falling in Love
2012	WayBack Winter	Sunken Spring	SumDream	FallApart
2013	WinterScope	Spring Heroes	SummerBowl	FallBall
2014	Winter Storm	SpringStreet	SumPride	ThankFall
2015	Winter Tale	Spring Sights	Solar Summer	Best of Fall
2016	Wild Winter	SpringSea	SumLand	FallTown
2017	Winter Watch	SpringTendo	SumWood	Fallodeon
2018	WinterHoops	SpringForward	EgyptSum	FallSearch
2019	Winter Fever	Springopoly	SumStory	FallCade
2021	Winter Dreamhouse	SpringSeuss	SumSwim	Fall[Bottom]

2022

Winter Wars

SpringGold

SumMotion

Fall Field

2023

WinterSpeed

Spring Scare

SumSweet

Phineas and Fall



# Jamboree Names

1975	Wizards and Musicians
1976	Devils and Shadows
1977	Stingers and Mad Hatters
1978	Flames and Clockworks
1979	Echo and Edge
1980	Clue and Nine
1981	Formula and ?
1982	Who and Next
1983	String and ?
1984	Patch and Paint
1985	Switch and Quick
1986	Then and Now
1987	Birth and Shine
1988	Flash and Swing
1989	Ring and Bank
1990	Print and Slide
1991	Chase and Stone
1992	Dream and Clock
1993	Blaze and Magic
1994	Steam and Chill
1995	Heart and Mind
1996	Rhythm and Rhyme
1997	Toys and Games
1998	Circus and Cinema
1999	Sky and Sea
2000	Sun and Moon
2001	Fire and Wind
2002	East and West
2003	Speed and Sound
2004	Thrills and Wonder
2005	Hope and Mystery
2006	Earth and Space
2007	Imagine and Believe
2008	Great and Happy
2009	Sport and Style
2010	Reflect and Reveal
2011	Famous and Future



2012	Chance and Power
2013	Machines and Animals
2014	Play and Love
2015	Ocean and Eclipse
2016	Ignite and Inspire
2017	Peace and Light
2018	Spark and Soar
2019	Wish and Journey
2021	Myth and Legend
2022	Song and Dance
2023	Shimmer and Shake



# Past Musicals

1976	Oklahoma (Seniors), Mary Poppins (Inters), Johnny Appleseed Comes to Town (Juniors)
1977	Aesop's Fable
1978	Carousel, Flower Drum Song, Snow White, The Selfish Giant
1979	The Music Man, The Sound of Music, The Emperor's Nightingale
1980	Guys and Dolls, Fiddler on the Roof, The Happy Scarecrow
1981	
1982	Grease, Bye Bye Birdie, The Wizard of Oz
1983	
1984	
1985	
1986	Aladdin, The "Boyfriend", Pajama Game
1987	Little Mary Sunshine, Gypsy
1988	Going Biggie, Annie
1989	South Pacific, Luanne
1990	Back to the Future
1991	Buggy Malone, Aladdin McFaddin, The Wiz, Mid Summers Night Dream
1992	My Fair Lady, West Side Story
1993	
1994	Bye Bye Birdie, Pajama Game
1995	Lion King
1996	Beauty and the Beast, You're a Good Man Charlie Brown
1997	
1998	
1999	Cinderella
2000	Give My Regards to Broadway
2001	Grease
2002	Fiddler on the Roof
2003	Annie
2004	Wizard of Oz, Murder in the Manor (Sub/Senior)



2005	Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible No Good Very Bad Day, You're a Good Man Charlie Brown (Sub/Senior)
2006	Oliver
2007	Peter Pan
2008	Seussical
2009	School House Rock
2010	Alice in Wonderland
2011	High School Musical
2012	Beauty and the Beast
2013	Annie
2014	Willy Wonka
2015	Shrek
2016	The Little Mermaid
2017	Honk
2018	Legally Blonde
2019	Elf
2021	Matilda
2022	Frozen
2023	The Descendants



# Services Booklet (Current)

This service book is dedicated to the Senior girls.

Services at Camp Mataponi is an important tradition that has been kept alive for many summers past and will continue for future generations.

It is a time to be with friends and to reflect on each moment spent with those around you at camp. Cherish your time in this beautiful place. Consider how fortunate you are to be surrounded by love and kindness. In this space, everyone is family. Everyone is a part of the greater whole. No one is a stranger once they enter our home. That is what makes us special.

Look to your left and to your right. These are your sisters, now and forever.

Make the most of your time here.

The time may go quickly, but Mataponi is forever.



Camp Mataponi  
Sabbath Service

Open the gates of righteousness  
I will enter and praise the Lord  
Open the gates of righteousness  
I will enter and praise the Lord

This is the day that the Lord hath made To rejoice and be happy therein  
This is the day that the Lord hath made To rejoice and be happy therein.

## The Sabbath Bride

Reader: O Holy Sabbath Day draw near  
Thou art the source of bliss and cheer  
The first in God's creative thought  
The final aim of all he wrought

Camp: Welcome, welcome day of rest  
Day of joy the Lord hath blessed

Reader: Rejoice ye now with all your might  
The Sabbath freedom brings us light  
Let songs of praise to God ascend  
And voices sweet in chorus blend

Camp: Welcome, welcome day of rest  
Day of joy the Lord hath blessed

Reader: Now come thou blessed Sabbath bride  
Our joy, our comfort and our pride  
All cares and sorrows bid thou cease  
And fill our waiting hearts with peace

Camp: Welcome, welcome day of rest  
Day of joy the Lord hath blessed

## Come, O Sabbath Day

Reader: Come, O Sabbath day and bring  
Peace and healing on thy wing  
And to every troubled breast  
Teach us the divine behest

Camp: Thou shalt rest. Thou shalt rest

Reader: Wipe from every cheek a tear  
Banish pain and silence fear  
All things working for the best

Teach us the divine behest

Camp: Thou shalt rest. Thou shalt rest

Reader: Earthly longings bid retire  
Quench the passion baneful fire  
To the wayward sin oppressed  
Bring thou the divine behest

Camp: Thou shalt rest. Thou shalt rest

### Queen Sabbath

Reader: The sun o'er the treetops no longer is seen  
Come let us go forth to greet Sabbath the Queen  
Behold her descending the holy and blessed  
And with her the Angel of peace and of rest

Camp: Welcome O Queen, welcome  
Enter thou enter, O Bride  
Unto you be their peace ye Angels of peace

Reader: We welcome the Sabbath with songs and with praise  
With joy in our hearts, our voices raise  
With joy in our hearts, the candles we'll light  
While every eye is sparkling and bright

Camp: Sabbath blessing, Sabbath peace  
Sabbath blessing, Sabbath peace  
Unto you be their peace ye Angels of peace

### Evening Service

Reader: This day is for light and rejoicing

Camp: A Sabbath of rest

Reader: When the work of the world in their wonder was finished

Camp: Thou makest this day to be holy and blessed

Reader: If I keep thy command, I inherit thy kingdom  
If I treasure the Sabbath, I bring thee the best

Camp: A Sabbath of rest

Reader: And in six days the heavens and earth were finished

Camp: And on the seventh day God rested from all his work

Reader: And God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it

Camp: And God bequeathed it to us as a day of rest

### Lighting the Candle

Reader: As we light the Sabbath candles, may we be blessed  
with Sabbath joy

Camp: May we be blessed with Sabbath peace

Reader: May the sacred spirit of friendship dwell within our camp

Camp: May the Sabbath light kindled here tonight inspire us to  
noble living

It is better to light just one little candle  
Than to stumble in the dark  
It is better to light just one little candle  
All you need is a tiny spark  
If we all said our prayers that the world would be free  
What a bright shiny dawn, what a new world we'd see  
And if everyone lit just one little candle  
What a bright world this would be

Reader: We have gathered here this Sabbath evening to offer prayers of Thanksgiving

Camp: The week has ended and the day of rest has come

Reader: Thou hast given us the blessings of labor and learning that we may fashion things of use and beauty

Camp: May the fruit of our labor and our learning be acceptable unto thee

Reader: May each new Sabbath find us going from strength to strength so that we may be helped to worthier work

Camp: Help us to use our powers for the benefit of our fellow men and women

Reader: Help us to gladden our hearts by the work of our hands

Camp: Help us to strengthen the bonds of friendship within our camp

#### Prayer from "Fiddler on the Roof"

May the Lord protect and defend you. May he always shield you from shame. May you come to be, in paradise a shining name.

May you be like Ruth and like Esther. May you be deserving of praise. Strengthen them O Lord, and keep them from the stranger's way.

May God bless you and grant you long lives  
( May the Lord fulfill our Sabbath prayers for you )

May God make you good mothers and wives  
( May he send you husbands that will care for you )

May the Lord protect and defend you. May the Lord preserve you

from pain. Favor them O Lord, with happiness and peace. O hear our Sabbath prayer, Amen.

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*Director's Comments*

*Soap Box*

*Senior Song*

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### Mataponi Comes Alive

Mataponi comes alive in the summer each year  
The campers together bring laughter and cheer  
The friendships we've made here will always hold true  
The spirit of Mataponi unites campers old and new

Living together we share joy and sorrow  
Our summers at Mataponi we'll cherish for'er  
The memories of camp life will not be forgotten  
You never will stray from our hearts

( repeat first verse )

### Barges

Out of my window looking in the night  
I can see the barges flickering lights  
Silently flows the river to the sea  
And the barges too go silently

Chorus:

Barges, I would like to go with you  
I would like to sail the ocean blue  
Barges, are there treasures in your hold?  
Do you fight with pirates brave and bold?

Out of my window looking in the night  
I can see the barges flickering lights  
Starboard shines green and port is glowing red

I can see the barges from my bed

( Chorus repeat )

### Devil's Alma Mater

I think of you and I start to smile  
Camp Mataponi and all your style  
The sparkling lake and the grass so green  
I think of you, the whole year through

Warmer than campfires that glow  
Closer than friendships we know  
These basic feelings teach unto us  
The joys of camp life

Sharing our problems and fun  
Working together as one  
Our family tree continues to grow  
From year to year

Chorus:  
Camp spirit lights ( it lights )  
The way ( the way )  
To ev-ery hour ( to every )  
And sunlight shines ( it shines )  
In mem-ory ( in memory )

Now sadness is touching each heart  
Knowing that soon we must part  
Tears in our eyes we bid our adieu  
Mataponi to you

Chorus repeat

### Patch Alma Mater

Our camp came alive several weeks ago  
Old faces returned, some we did not know  
And like a fire, our friendships grew

Forming sparks of love to last a lifetime through  
So many miles keep us apart  
I'll be with you in my heart ( 2x )

Chorus:

O Mataponi how can we let you know  
Of our feelings for you as they build and grow?  
To the friends we've made, we'll never say goodbye  
We'll return please don't cry, friend  
Our memories will never die

Everyday our eyes see something new  
The crystal lake reflects the view  
Of trees by day, and moon by night  
We know in your shadow we will be alright  
Each sunset brings us closer to the summer's end  
With us they form a perfect blend ( 2x )

Chorus repeat

Now we've become part of this special place  
And though we may leave, time will never erase  
All we've learned and loved and shared with you  
Our memories will carry us through  
Until the summer when we can be  
Much more than just you and me  
Together as a family

Chorus repeat

### Flash Alma Mater

Here at camp, by the lake  
You can watch the moon glisten  
While your friends, gather round  
Just to talk and reminisce

About your carefree childhood days  
You will hold onto forever  
Though they may fade away

The memories linger on

In two months one can learn  
More than some do in a lifetime  
We are young with open minds  
Which allow us to take in

And the grass is greener still  
And the trees are quite taller  
And the lake has become  
A deeper shade of blue  
Become a deeper shade of blue

And though we must leave  
A part of us stays here  
But in time we'll reunite  
Just to claim it once again

Love and friendship, absence makes  
Our hearts yearn, for the love that surrounds us  
You have made us what we are  
Thank you Mataponil

#### Print and Slide Alma Mater

Yesterday the world seemed cold and lonely  
Had no special place to call my own  
Searched inside my self for some direction  
But couldn't find this happiness alone

Chorus:

And the warmth here, it has touched my soul  
And the love and friendship has helped me grow  
These bonds will always stand the test of time  
We must leave but we'll not forget our days at Mataponi  
With our memories we won't have to say goodbye

Captured by the peacefulness and harmony  
The sparkling lake and the sky so clear and blue  
Not only did this outer beauty touch me

It called my name and brought me here to you

Chorus repeat

You've helped me to unleash my thoughts and feelings  
And shaped me into who I am today  
Your presence and compassion always soothed me  
And guided me each step along the way

Chorus repeat

And now my friend the end is drawing closer  
We'll shed a tear and go our separate ways  
In my heart you always will be with me  
Until we join together here some day

Chorus repeat

With our memories we won't have to say goodbye

### Toys Alma Mater

The summer is ending, the winter is near  
As we sadly shed a tear  
Sharing our memories, working as one  
Through our laughter, fears and fun

During the months of the summer  
The friendships we've made last forever

Chorus:

O Mataponi, how can we forget?  
The feeling of love for the friends that we've met  
You're here in my heart, and though I may cry  
The memories you've given me will never die

Reflections of camp life have helped pave the way  
To make us who we are today  
When you need a friend and no one's around  
There's a place they can always be found

Being apart from each other, we realize we need one another

Chorus repeat

We know we'll stay so close, although we're so far  
'Cause in these months we've grown to learn, what true friends are

Chorus repeat

You're here in my heart, and though I may cry  
Our one connection is Mataponi

### Games Alma Mater

Looking back on the years, through the laughter and tears  
You have touched my soul, and now I'm whole  
Our love will never die

To the camp we hold so dear, with the lake so crystal clear  
It's our second home, we're not alone  
Our friends will keep us here

Chorus:

I'll take with me a loving memory  
For you I cry, Mataponi  
We've come so far, and now look where we are  
As we love and grow, you've taught us what we know

As I see each smiling face capture the beauty of this place  
You have been my strength, and gone the length  
I thank you from my heart

Through the lonely time apart, we can't wait until the start  
As we reunite, we'll be alright  
If you stand by my side

Chorus repeat

Looking back on the years, through the laughter and tears  
You have touched my soul, and now I'm whole

Our love will never die

### 2008 Camp Mataponi Alma Mater

To the place we all remember, you're a part of us  
Through winter nights  
As we're counting down the seconds, for ten months we dream  
In green and white

Campers young and old return each summer  
Become flames of our fire, that gather and grow  
New sparks collide igniting our past memories  
Camp Mataponi, to you we owe

For all the gifts you've given, we offer to you  
Our eternal love  
The clear lake guards our traditions, as the shining stars  
Watch from above

As we leave behind the footprints of our childhood  
We've grown to become, a part of this place  
We know that fate has brought us here together  
Camp Mataponi, we'll always embrace

As we leave our home behind us, we face the greatest  
Challenge of all  
Now we're parting with our greenflames, as the summer fades  
Into the fall

Campers young and old return each summer  
Become flames of our fire, that gather and grow  
New sparks collide igniting our past memories  
Camp Mataponi, to you we owe

Camp Mataponi, we love you so

### 2015 Camp Mataponi Alma Mater

Mornings at camp, friends lined up shoulder to shoulder  
Grass is so damp, watching as the flag is unfolded

They say that it's gone in the blink of an eye

Chorus:

Mataponi, soak it all in

All the little things

Enjoy the ride

Each smiling face is what brings us together

Our love for this place will last us forever

And fate has brought us where we're supposed to be

Chorus repeat

At the end of the night when the stars are in sight

We reflect on the memories we've made

When we must depart, we will know in our hearts

We were wishing that we could've stayed

Chorus repeat

Although we must go, we love you so

It's not goodbye

### Taps

Day is done, gone the sun

From the lakes from the hills from the sky

All is well, safely rest

God is nigh

### Friends

Friends, friends, friends

We will always be

Whether in fair or in dark stormy weather

Camp Mataponi will keep us together

The green and white, we will always be

The camp that unites us the camp that delights us

We're friends, friends, friends da da da da da

## Camp Mataponi Alma Mater

Camp Mataponi, fair and true  
In our hearts we belong to you  
As we love all the old and new  
That we think of when we are gone

Sunsets and starry nights  
Our cherished and fond delights  
As we linger by pale moonlight  
To await the awakening dawn

Through the years our memories cling around you  
Through the years our voices will all sing and surround you

Let there be no goodbyes  
For the thought of you never dies  
We'll return to you by and by  
To the camp we love Mataponil

# Campfire Songs

On the Line

Piece Of Tin

Sunny Side

M-A-T

Rock My Soul

There Was A Moose

Till We Meet Again

## On the Line

On the line, on the line,  
On the side of the line  
We cheer for Camp Mataponi  
The rain or the shine  
Camp Mataponi the rain  
We love you just the same  
On the line, on the side of the line



Oh, we are the halo and the glory bee  
The pride of Naples and the whole country  
The pride of Naples and the whole country  
Wrapped up into one happy family

On the line, on the line,  
On the side of the line  
We cheer for Camp Mataponi  
The rain or the shine  
Camp Mataponi the rain  
We love you just the same  
On the line, on the side of the line



## Piece of Tin

I've got a little piece of tin  
Nobody knows what shape it's in  
It's got four wheels and a running board  
It's a Ford, oh, it's a Ford

Honk, honk, rattle, rattle, rattle, crash, bang, bang  
Honk, honk, rattle, rattle, rattle, crash, bang, bang  
Honk, honk, rattle, rattle, rattle, crash, bang, bang  
Honk, honk, honk, honk, honk, honk, BEEP BEEP!

## Sunny Side

Chorus:

Stay on the sunny side, always on the sunny side  
Stay on the sunny side of life, tweet, tweet, tweet  
You won't feel the pain, while we drive you insane  
So stay on the sunny side of life

Seniors: Knock Knock

Camp: Who's there?

Seniors: Ether

Camp: Ether who?

Seniors: The ether bunny

All: OHI



\*Chorus\*

Seniors: Knock Knock

Camp: Who's there?

Seniors: Anotha

Camp: Anotha who?

Seniors: Another ether bunny

All: OHI



\*Chorus\*

Seniors: Knock Knock

Camp: Who's there?

Seniors: Yetta

Camp: Yetta who?

Seniors: Yet another ether bunny

All: OHI

\*Chorus\*

Seniors: Knock Knock

Camp: Who's there?

Seniors: Stilla

Camp: Stilla who?

Seniors: Still another ether bunny

All: OHI

\*Chorus\*

Seniors: Knock Knock

Camp: Who's there?

Seniors: Cargo

Camp: Cargo who?

Seniors: Cargo BEEP BEEP and run over all the ether bunnies

All: OHI

\*Chorus\*

Seniors: Knock Knock



Camp: Who's there?

Seniors: Boo

Camp: Boo who?

Seniors: Don't cry the ether bunny will be back next year

All: OHI

\*Chorus\*

### M-A-T

M-A-T-A-P-O-N-I RA  
Here's to our Mataponi  
We'll sing to you, ra ra ra  
Pride of the eastern shore we love you yes we

do

Camp Mataponi long may we cherish thee, love and adore  
Sing praise and honor, forever more

All the \*division name\* girls, sitting in a line  
All them looking mighty fine mighty fine  
And they know how to work  
And they know how to play  
\*Divison\* girls all the way all the way

M-A-T-A-P-O-N-I RA  
Here's to our Mataponi  
We'll sing to you, ra ra ra  
Pride of the eastern shore we love you yes we do

### Rock My Soul

Group 1: Rock my soul on the bosom of Abraham  
Rock my soul on the bosom of Abraham  
Rock my soul on the bosom of Abraham



Oh, rock my soul

Group 2: So high, can't get over it  
So low, can't get under it  
So wide, can't get around it  
Oh, rock my soul

Group 3: Rock my soul  
Rock my soul  
Rock my soul  
Oh, rock my soul



### There Was A Moose (Repeat After Me)

There was a moose  
He liked to drink a lot of juice  
There was a moose  
He liked to drink a lot of juice

Chorus:  
Say way-oh way-oh  
Way-oh way-oh way-oh way-oh  
Way-oh way-oh  
Way-oh way-oh way-oh way-oh

The moose's name was Fred  
He liked to drink his juice in bed  
The moose's name was Fred  
He liked to drink his juice in bed

Chorus

The moosey spilled his juice  
And now we've got a sticky moose  
The moosey spilled his juice  
And now we've got a sticky moose

Chorus



Till We Meet Again

Round the blazing council firelight  
We have met in fellowship tonight  
High above the whispering trees  
Guard our sacred memories

And so before we close our eyes to sleep  
Let us pledge each other that we'll keep  
Mataponi memories strong and true  
Till we meet again

