



Donald Warren King

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Donald "Don" Warren King, 80, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on Monday January 6, 2025 at his home in Kingsburg, CA.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 35 years, Mary Margaret (nee Vaughan), his sons Donald Paul Warren King of Grapevine, Texas, and Charles Nicholas King (Angel) of Grapevine, Texas; his daughter Leigh-Ann Marie Olsen of Kingsburg; and his cherished grandchildren Charles Kenneth King, Briana Nicole King, Kayla Michelle King, and Christian Schaffer. He also leaves behind his brother Charles Randall King (Kathy) of Oklahoma; sisters Cynthia Aline Walsh, Kathy Fekay, and Kristi Sutherland (Dan) of California, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Don was preceded in death by his daughter, Dominique Dorothea King; his parents Robert Charles King and Dorothy Rose King (nee Williams) and his nephew Edward "Eddie" Thomas Walsh.

Born on January 24, 1944, in Huntington Park, California, he grew up in Southern California, living in many cities throughout the region. He graduated from Pomona High School in 1961 before joining the U.S. Army where he was stationed at Fort Monmouth and Fort Huachuca, specializing in

communications.

Don earned a bachelor's degree from La Verne University and enjoyed a successful 35-year career with General Telephone, a role that took him from California to Texas. Don earned his Certified Purchasing Manager certificate and held the position of Contract Manager at the end of his career with GTE. After retiring in 1998, Don and Mary settled in Kingsburg, to be close to her family. In 2002, Don began substitute teaching at Kingsburg High School, launching a second career that brought him immense joy and a deep sense of purpose. He retired from KHS in 2019.

A devoted member of Concordia Lutheran Church, Kingsburg, Don served on the church council and managed various financial responsibilities. He cherished his family, his home, and his time tending to his yard and workshop - unless he was off on a cross-country or overseas adventure with Mary. Having traveled to all 50 states, Don still loved his home the best.

The family extends heartfelt gratitude to his oncologist, Dr. Kim Margolin, from St. John's Hospital in Santa Monica; the Compassionate Care Hospice team; Kingsburg High School family, our Concordia Lutheran Church family, and the Kingsburg Community at large, including his many former students that he knew and loved. Special thanks to the Kingsburg Cancer Volunteers for their invaluable support during the past 5 years. Don's legacy of love, service and devotion will live on in the hearts of all who knew him.

In lieu of Flowers donations may be made to the Concordia Lutheran Church, 1800 Sierra Street, Kingsburg, CA 93631 or the Kingsburg Cancer Volunteers, P.O. Box 26, Kingsburg, CA 93631.

Viewing will be held 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM Thursday, January 23rd, 2025 at Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel, 1588 Lincoln Street, Kingsburg.

Graveside services will be held 1:00 PM Friday, January 24th, 2025 at Reedley Cemetery District, 2185 S Reed Ave, Reedley, CA 93654.

Also, a Memorial Service will be at 2:30PM, Friday, January 24th 2025 at Concordia Lutheran Church, 1800 Sierra Street, Kingsburg, CA 93631.

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel. Memorial Tributes and condolences may be offered by logging onto www.salseranddillard.com.

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN **23**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel
1588 Lincoln Street
Kingsburg, CA 93631
(559) 897-2908
<https://www.creightonchapel.com>

Graveside

JAN **24**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (PT)

Reedley Cemetery District
2185 S Reed Ave
Reedley, CA 93654

Memorial

JAN **24**. 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM (PT)

Concordia Lutheran Church
1800 Sierra Street
Kingsburg, CA 93631

Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald Warren King*



Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel - January 17, 2025 at 11:20 AM

LF

“ *Love, your OSV Growth Team family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Warren King.*

Love, your OSV Growth Team family - January 22, 2025 at 10:40 PM

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“ *Love, your OSV Growth Team family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Donald Warren King.*



Love, your OSV Growth Team family - January 22, 2025 at 10:40 PM

AT

“ *All of the Tannery's planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Warren King.*

All of the Tannery's - January 22, 2025 at 05:41 PM

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“ All of the Tannery’s purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Donald Warren King.



All of the Tannery’s - January 22, 2025 at 05:41 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Donald Warren King.



January 20, 2025 at 09:21 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Donald Warren King.

January 20, 2025 at 09:21 AM