



John Edward King

September 14, 1952 - May 5, 2016

John Edward King of DeSoto, Missouri passed away at Barnes Jewish Hospital Cancer Center in St. Louis, MO after a long and brave battle with cancer on Thursday, May 5th, 2016 at the age of 63 years, 7 months, and 21 days. He was born September 14th, 1952, in St. Louis, MO, a son of the late Homer and Jessie Toppins King. John and his family moved to DeSoto, MO as a small child where he attended Sunrise Elementary school through the 8th grade, and graduated from DeSoto High School in 1970. On June 26th, 1976, John was united in marriage to Pamela Moecher, and to this union two children were born; Joshua John King and Andrew Nathaniel King who survive.

John is also survived by his mother, Jessie King, his wife, Pamela, his mother-in-law Carol Moecher of Denver, CO, two brothers; James King and wife Patty of Mt. Springs, Texas, and Joe King and wife Teresa of DeSoto, three sisters; Sandra Schulz and husband Bill of Crandall, Texas, Kathy Bradford and husband Tom of Kansas City, Missouri, and Betty Meyer and husband Steve of Herculaneum, Missouri, two grandchildren; Zachary King and Abby King, numerous loving nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, and many loving friends.

John enlisted in the United States Army on January 26th, 1973 and served his country with pride and honor in the Airborne division. He trained in Fort Benning, Georgia and in Fort Wainwright, Alaska. John was honorably discharged with the rank of E4 on January 25th, 1976.

John worked a variety of construction jobs and was a lifelong truck driver working for Landveter Cement and Jefferson County Highway Department; he was also self-employed. John was a jack of all trades that included working on cars, driving his dump truck and bobcat, and he also helped build his own home.

John loved life and shared that love with all his family and friends. He never met a stranger and always had a joke and smile to share.

Visitation will be held May 14th, at 10am and the funeral services will begin at 11:30am with Military Honors following at the Cole Family Funeral Home in Ironton, MO.

Private burial at later date at Brewington Cemetery in Brunot, MO.

A celebration memorial dinner will be at DeSoto Community Center on Boyd Street in DeSoto, MO from 3pm to 5pm; all are invited to come and remember John.

Cemetery Details

Brewington Cemetery

Des Arc, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 14. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Cole Family Funeral Home
210 E Reynolds St
Ironton, MO 63650
(573) 546-0742

Service

MAY 14. 11:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *John Edward King*

August 31, 2022 at 12:46 PM



“ *Janice Struck and Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of John Edward King.*



Janice Struck and Family - May 13, 2016 at 05:45 PM



“ *John Ed was a wonderful, caring man and will forever be in our hearts. Pam, we are so sorry for you and your family's loss, prayers for you all. John Ed had tons of wit, lots of wisdom and plenty of charm. Heaven has gained a true treasure.*



Joan Dunlap - May 12, 2016 at 02:06 PM

KR

“ John (or as we know him "Cash is King") has always been one of our favorite truck drivers, he, his sombrero and his hilarious mexican songs on our CB radio will be missed by all of us at Arch Johnston Quarry in DeSoto. He was always in telling us stories and making us laugh.....really hard. He was a great man and we loved him very much!!!

Arch Johnston Co. Inc.
D.J. Johnston, Kristy Griffin & Lee Webb

Kristy - May 12, 2016 at 01:52 PM

MC

“ When my beloved Labrador Retriever, Sampson died, it was the middle of summer and it was very hot and dry. I knew I could not dig a grave with a shovel that would be big enough for my Sam. My home is about a half a mile from John and Pam's home. When I went to their home and told them about Sam dying. I was reluctant to just come out and ask for his help because I knew I was asking for a lot. John made it easier when he asked; "Mary, what can I do to help." I asked him if he could bring his bobcat and dig a grave for Sam. I told him I would be glad to pay him. He said of course he would come and that he would not accept payment. He drove his bobcat to my house and while I kept my other dog away, he dug a grave for Sam. I watched John as he wrapped Sam in a blanket and put him in the grave. He was gentle and respectful with my Sam and I will always be grateful for his consideration and kindness. He was a good friend to me. Our neighborhood is less without John in it.
Mary A. Campbell

Mary A. Campbell - May 10, 2016 at 11:18 AM



“ 53 files added to the album LifeTributes



Cole Family Funeral Home - May 10, 2016 at 11:12 AM

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I ABSOLUTELY LOVE THESE PICTURES..❤️

Rebecca Rieger - May 10, 2016 at 02:12 PM

BL

“ *Pam and family, I am so very sorry to hear of John's passing. You are in my thoughts and prayers...love you my friend*

Barbara J Lewis - May 09, 2016 at 10:04 PM

BH

“ *John also known as Ed, was a great guy, he was a friend to everyone and had a way of making every story humorous. He knew how to work hard and not complain. He will be missed by many and remembered forever.*

Ed, Belinda & Ben Harris

Belinda Harris - May 09, 2016 at 06:34 PM

HP

“ *My fiancé pnut has many memories of working wit jon and I went to school with josh and Drew and the joy of meeting your whole family spending time I was blessed to meet him and have him in my life you all are in my thought an prayers we are here if you need anything*
847-528-2626!!!

heather pouliezos - May 09, 2016 at 04:41 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Edward King.*



May 09, 2016 at 11:49 AM