



John Oliver King

August 9, 1940 - March 15, 2017

Memorial service for John Oliver King, age 76, of Decatur, will be Tuesday, March 21, 2017 11:30 a.m. at Shelton Funeral Home. The family will receive friends 30 minutes prior to the service.

Mr. King, who died Wednesday, March 15, 2017, at his residence, was born August 9, 1940, in Georgia, to William King and Mable Ogletree King. He was an outstanding banjo picker and instructor who loved bluegrass music. A stranger was merely a friend he had not yet met, and he was always willing to lend a hand to anyone for any need.

He is survived by his loving wife, Jean (Meredith) King of Decatur; two sons, John King Jr. (Rhoda) of Decatur, and Jamie King (Holly) of Atlanta, GA; one daughter, Jana Hernandez (Pedro) of Tallahassee, FL; one stepson, Michael Copeland (Addie) of North Carolina; one stepdaughter, Jill Copeland of Hartselle; five grandchildren, Gracie and Sarah King of Atlanta, Keith Hernandez of Tallahassee, Alex Copeland of North Carolina, and Haley Copeland of Hartselle; and several nieces and their families.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests memorial donations be made to Hospice of the Valley, P.O. Box 2745, Decatur, AL 35602.

Tribute Wall

BO

“ I have loved you my whole life Uncle Johnny. I always will. Tell Daddy hello. My thoughts and prayers to Jean, John Jr, Jana, and Jamie. (((hugs)))



Beth Oglesbee - March 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ Beth King Oglesbee lit a candle in memory of John Oliver King



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“ Big John was always friendly and willing to share a song. We miss him very much. Love and God bless you all.



Audra Morgan - March 20, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ I can hear Dueling Banjos, Big John. You have been a great gift to your family and friends. Thank you and God bless you. We'll miss you.



Mary Elizabeth Morgan - March 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Mary Elizabeth Morgan lit a candle in memory of John Oliver King*



Mary Elizabeth Morgan - March 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM