



## Mr. Joseph M. King III

October 17, 1945 - March 4, 2024

Joseph Manley King III, was born October 17, 1945, to the late Joseph M. King Jr and Earlene Frazier in Birmingham Junction, Alabama. Joseph was the eldest child of his seven siblings, Charles, Curtis (1996), Joyce, Karl, Krystal (2010), Otis, and Lydia (2018.) He graduated from Central High School in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he played football.

Upon graduation, Joseph spent three years in the Army, serving overseas including time spent in Europe, bringing with him many memories, and his so often shared saying “Auf Gehtz” meaning let’s go. As one journey ended another began when Joseph enrolled into Cincinnati Bible school, spending 4 years learning the Bible, eventually becoming an ordained associate minister at Baptist churches throughout the South. As Joseph sought the word, he also sought love marrying Doris Marie Williams in 1970. Together, they welcomed a son, Joseph Manley King IV, on November 10, 1970. Unfortunately, their paths diverged, and the couple went their separate ways in 1975.

Joseph found love once again in 1986, as he married Wanda Jean Evans. This union brought forth two children, Alicia Amaris King in 1987 and Jonathan Todd King in 1989. The family resided in Cincinnati, Ohio, creating cherished memories together- Sundays at church, family dinners at Gran-Grans, and swimming, among others.

Joseph always had an entrepreneurial spirit, and held several jobs, including serving as an orderly for Bethesda hospital in Cincinnati, OH as well as being a career salesman. Joseph was an early adoption salesman of digital currency technology, selling credit card machines and ATMs to many small businesses. He became a business owner in the early 2000s when he started the highly lucrative "Social Centers" and community grocery stores across Birmingham, AL. The Social Centers provided a space for those in the community to connect and the grocery stores served areas known as food deserts. King, as Joseph was commonly called, was a Alabama fan, often wearing his Alabama "A" hat and yelling out Roll Tide! He was a lover of Dogs, Lincolns, coffee, and God.

Joseph retired in Georgia, spending time with family and friends and finding his loving spouse Josephine Gholston at a donation center. The two attended services together, enjoyed music and traveled the US. In 2021, Joseph endured the heart-wrenching loss of his eldest son, Joseph Manley King IV. Joseph was known to leave smiles and laughter wherever he went. He was a dog lover, and a praying man, often volunteered to lead prayer at family functions and always before departure. For the last years of his life, Joseph and Josephine continued to enjoy each other as he battled health issues. On March 4, 2024, Joseph Manley King III left this world, departing peacefully in Conyers, Rockdale, Georgia. In addition to his siblings and children he leaves to cherish his loving memory, grandchildren Lauren, Anna, Joseph and Melanie and the numerous friends and family who were touched by his presence.

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

MAR 14. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B. Levett and Sons - Rockdale Chapel  
1999 Hwy 138 SE  
Conyers , GA 30013

## Celebration of Life

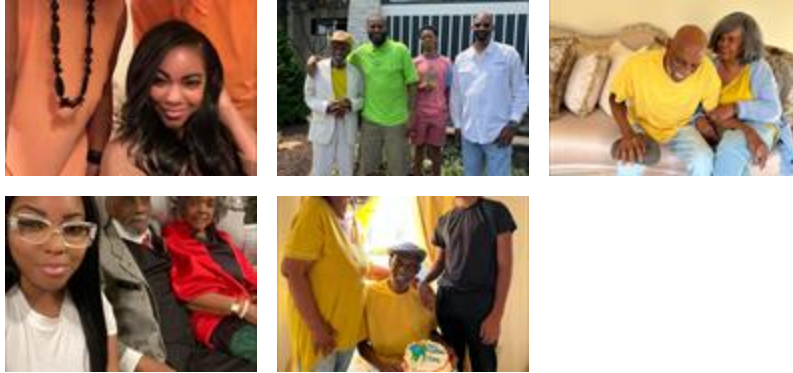
MAR 15. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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1999 Hwy 138 SE  
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# Tribute Wall

LS

“ I will definitely miss you Mr. King! You were truly an amazing man. I love you so much! Thank you for coming into our lives for these past 8 years. You were a ray of sunshine any day of the week. Rest well in paradise. You will truly be missed but never forgotten.



Latoya Stone - March 13, 2024 at 03:02 PM

RG

“ Robert and Bonita Green planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Joseph M. King III.

Robert and Bonita Green - March 13, 2024 at 02:43 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mr. Joseph M. King III.



March 13, 2024 at 02:43 PM

BE

“ My dear cousin who shared his last visit with me in the home of his son Jonathan. What a pleasure to reflect with him on the good bad and indifferent moments we had as family. The Frazier -Hoston family will always remember this first cousin as whenever he came around his appetite dictated whether we would allow him to linger long 🤗 Love you Jonathan and family-cuz Mama Dean

Bernadine - March 13, 2024 at 02:27 PM

AM

Family, we are sorry for the loss of our cousin, Joseph (Brother). May God provide you with the comfort you need during this bereavement period. We are here for you. The memories of more pleasant times will always linger in our hearts.  
Annquinetta (TRO) & Family 🙏❤️

Annquinetta Frazier Miller - March 15, 2024 at 11:27 AM

CP

“ Charles L. King, Sr. and Pamela purchased the S imply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Joseph M. King III.



Charles L. King, Sr. and Pamela - March 13, 2024 at 01:58 PM

TL

“ I'm sad to learn about the passing of Joe. He and his family were like family to all of us in Cummunisville, (Cinti) Ohio. To Charles, Joyce and Carl, may God comfort and strengthen you in days ahead. Toni (Vernest) Byrd-Long



Toni Long - March 11, 2024 at 01:56 PM