



James D King Sr.

April 25, 1940 - February 4, 2013

After a period of declining health, James Darrell "Jim" King, Sr. died at his home in Greenville Monday, February 4, 2013.

Jim is survived by his wife of 50 years, Esther Crump King; his two children and their spouses, James Darrell King, Jr. "Jamey" and Amy Wilson King; Martha Ellen King "Marty" Chapman and Joseph Mark Chapman:

four grandchildren: Virginia Lee "Ginny" King, James Anderson "Jake" King, Joseph Mark "Mac" Chapman, and Hamilton King Chapman.

Jim is predeceased by his parents, Ed and Ellen Fair Mason King; and his brother Joseph L. King.

As a young boy, Jim enjoyed swimming in the dye branch, slingshots, and playing with his friends, all of whom had colorful nicknames. By age 11 he drove the delivery truck for his family's laundry business.

While attending Winthrop Training School he played football and basketball. He was employed as an apprentice loom repairman at the Arcade Mill and delivered flowers for a local florist.

With the help of a local banker, Jim attended Presbyterian College and earned a degree in Economics.

A week after graduation (1962) he married Esther at First Presbyterian Church, and joined the National Guard. After that, he was employed at Home Federal Savings and Loan.

Jim became the president of Travelers Rest Federal Saving and Loan in 1970.

In the late '70's, Jim moved his family to Marietta, SC, renovated a farm on the North Saluda River, and raised ducks, rabbits, chickens and a pig and farmed beans, cucumbers and squash. He loved to boil peanuts in a black cauldron.

Jim continued to expand the S & L which became The Poinsett Bank. He opened another office in Greenville, SC and opened an office in his hometown of Rock Hill. Jim retired upon the sale of the bank in 1998.

Jim enjoyed offshore sport fishing , but he especially enjoyed family times at "the beach" and "the mountains". He also enjoyed playing cards and working cross word puzzles.

Jim served on Boards of Directors at Colonial Bank (Camden), Bank of Camden, and Independence National Bank (Greenville). He served as Chairman of the Board of the South Carolina Savings and Loan League.

Jim was an Elder at Trinity Presbyterian Church, was a Past President of Green Valley Country Club, and was awarded South Carolina's The Order of the Palmetto.

Memorial services will be held at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 11:00 am on February 7, 2013.

The family will be at the home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Trinity Presbyterian Church Building Fund.

Special thanks to the fourth floor staff of Greenville Memorial Hospital, National Health Care on Boiling Springs Road and Open Arms Hospice.

Online condolences may be expressed to the family at, www.thehowzemortuary.com.

Cemetery Details

Private Burial

Previous Events

Service

FEB 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

Trinity Presbyterian Church
405 Trailblazer Drive
Travelers Rest, SC

Tribute Wall

VS

“ We were sorry to hear of the loss of Jim. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. Peace to each of you. Vivian and Jane Searcy



V Searcy - February 08, 2013 at 08:10 PM

FO

“ I am so sorry to hear about Jim's passing. I was unable to attend the service. I had not seen nor talked with him in years but I enjoyed doing business with him and considered him a friend whose advice I valued.
My prayers are with Esther, Jamey and Marty.

Frank and Sherry Outlaw - February 08, 2013 at 11:03 AM

JA

“ Jack and I were so sorry to hear of Jims passing. He was a very sincere and interesting person. I know you all will miss him. We have missed Jamey at Andys Christmas parties the last few years. He always filled me in on the happenings about the family. It seems like ages since we lived in T R. Our love goes to all of you. Gloria and Jack Anderson

Jack and Gloria Anderson - February 07, 2013 at 05:29 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of James D King Sr..*



February 07, 2013 at 02:15 PM



“ *Fond memories of Jim and Esther at Green Vally functions. He was one of the really good people and will be missed. Esther, our thoughts are with you and the rest of your family.*

Tommy and Priscilla Reynolds

Tommy Reynolds - February 07, 2013 at 01:12 PM



“ *My smypathy to your entire family. May God give you comfort at this time, as only He can do. I loved the obituary. It was the story of a life well lived!*

Joy (Sullivan) Cleveland

Joy (Sullivan) Cleveland - February 07, 2013 at 12:50 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathies for your loss. We fondly remember Jim and Ester as they hosted our first Cock and Hen party when we first moved to GV ten years ago. They made us feel so welcome. Jim was always gracious and ready with a smile. He was a true gentleman.*

Al and Tammy Kesterson

Tamara kesterson - February 07, 2013 at 10:27 AM

JL

“ We value the time we spent with Jim, on the golf course and at the bridge table. His calmness and sense of humor were always appreciated. Our sympathy to the family as you learn to live with the memories of this wonderful man.

Judy and Ralph Leonard

Judy Leonard - February 06, 2013 at 06:12 PM

PL

“ PLEASE ACCEPT OUR SYMPATHY WITH RESPECT TO THE LOSS OF JIM , HE WAS A KIND , SINCERE GENTLEMAN & WILL BE MISSED BY MANY , SINCERELY , PATRICK & XI YAN LAW

PATRICK LAW - February 06, 2013 at 04:02 PM

MJ

“ I had the privledge to work for Mr.King many years ago, He has made a profound impact on my personal life and professional career. The "stories" he would share with me of his life, family and his true love of people taught me many things on how to treat others, and how to conduct myself. I smile now as I remember some of his "lessons" and how they were delivered with a smile and a great sense of humor.

I am glad to have known him, and for the relationship I will have with his famliy for years to come.

God Bless.

Mike Johnson

Mike Johnson - February 06, 2013 at 01:31 PM

SS

“ *Marty and Jamey, your father was a wonderful man and a dear friend to my family. Please know that your family is in our thoughts and prayers.*

Scott & Heather Summers

scott summers - February 06, 2013 at 11:27 AM

TM

“ *We want to express our sympathy to all of you during this time as you mourn the loss of Jim. We express our love to you and have you, and will keep you, in our thoughts and prayers. Thomas and Virginia McCorkle*

Thomas McCorkle - February 06, 2013 at 08:46 AM

JA

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time. Mr. King has left a legacy of being a good businessman serving his community well, a faithful leader in his church, and most importantly a wonderful family-focused man. May your memories of the good times comfort you in the days ahead.*

Joyce Arledge

Joyce Arledge - February 06, 2013 at 07:16 AM