



## Robert Eugene King

October 7, 2011

Robert (Bob) Eugene King, 84, of Louisiana, Missouri, passed away October 7, 2011, at Maple Grove Lodge in Louisiana, Missouri. Bob was born February 20, 1927, to Thomas and Kathleen King. He was raised in Warren County, Missouri, by his adoptive parents Harry and Ida Howell. Following graduation from Warrenton High School, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, serving in WWII. He then attended the University of Missouri - Columbia where he pursued agricultural studies. He was married to Ina Mae Hamilton on June 8, 1950. During his senior year, he was called to active duty in the Korean Conflict. He was a long time employee of Hercules Inc., retiring in 1977. He went on to work at the US Postal Service and retired in 1989. He operated his own residential and farm appraisal business until 2002. Bob was a tireless advocate for people with developmental disabilities. He held numerous state offices for The ARC – Missouri Chapter (formally the Missouri Association for Retarded Citizens) including serving as state president from 1974 to 1977. He also was president and board member of the Pike County Sheltered Workshop (Pike Shop). Bob was active in the community of Louisiana, Missouri, serving as a city councilman, president of the Lions Club, and chairman of the Dangerous Building Committee. He was a member of Centenary United Methodist Church. Bob is survived by his wife of 61 years, Ina Mae; son Michael and his wife Susan of Republic, Missouri; grandsons Zachary of Kingsland, Georgia and Benjamin of Burlington, Vermont. He was preceded in death by his daughter Deborah. A memorial service in

celebration of Bob's life will be held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 11, at the Collier Funeral Home, 117 Barnard Drive, Louisiana, Missouri. Visitation will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. prior to the service. A private graveside service will follow at a later date at the Central Grove Cemetery in Warren County, Missouri. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Deborah Mae King Scholarship Fund, in care of the Missouri Electric Cooperatives Employees' Credit Union, PO Box 1586, Jefferson City, MO 65102. Contributions may also be made to the Centenary United Methodist Church Memorial Fund in care of Collier Funeral Home. The family extends a special "thank you" to the staff of Maple Grove Lodge and Pike County Home Care & Hospice for their excellent care and compassion in Bob's final days.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert Eugene King*

November 08, 2022 at 10:35 AM



“ *Robert Eugene King*

November 08, 2022 at 08:46 AM



“ *Mike, Susan, Zack and Ben,*

*You are in my thoughts today and have been since I learned about Bob. I hope all of you are getting along all right at this sad time. It's hard for me to grasp the loss of your dad and grandfather because most of the stories I heard that included him were about how vital and active he was. I am so very sorry. Bill and I will keep you in our thoughts.*

**Nancy and Bill Southworth** - October 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *I thank Bob and others like him for his endless work in the local and state level for people with disabilities. Had it not been for people like Bob, my son might not have the wide range of opportunities that he has in Pike County.*

**Judy Ray** - October 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ In reading the poem, *Take Time*, by Mary Ellen Porter Dole, I think back to times of being in Bob's company and know Bob took time.

*Take Time*

*Take time to be friendly, Take time to be true,  
Take time to help others And they in turn will help you*

*Take time to be humble, Take time to give praise,  
Take time to love one another thru all the difficult days.*

*Take time to be thoughtful Take time to show others you care, Take  
time to tell friends and family That for them you will always be there.*

*Take time to be happy, Take time to wear a smile,  
Take time to be a good neighbor--- Your life will then be worthwhile.*

*Bob's life was so very worthwhile.*

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**Jane Ann Fauser** - October 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM