



# King E. Forkner

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**K**ing E. Forkner, age 84 of Decatur, passed away Thursday, February 12, 2004, in his residence.

A celebration of his life will be 5:30 pm Tuesday, February 17, 2004, in the Moran & Goebel Funeral Home. Cremation rites have been accorded. Inurnment at Graceland Cemetery will be at a later date. May view the online obituary and send condolences to: [www.moranandgoebel.com](http://www.moranandgoebel.com)

King was born in Decatur, Illinois, on November 18, 1919, the son of Roy and Florien Driggs Forkner. He was a projectionist for many years at the Avon Theatre. He married Margaret Gentry on October 04, 1947, in Decatur, Illinois; she preceded him in death on June 09, 2000, in Bellevue, Ohio.

King is survived by his daughter; Patricia A. Forkner of Columbia, CT.; two nieces Christine and Jan Brown.

King was also preceded in death by his parents, sister; Donna.

"Yup. The end of a way of life. Too Bad. It's a good way. Wagons Forward! Yo!"-John Wayne Hondo



## Tribute Wall

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DH

**Dorothy Hopkins** posted:

Hi, Pat wanted to send my condolences. I'll always remember your dad as ready for a good conversation and as an avid reader. Decatur won't be the same without Uncle King to visit.  
Indianapolis, IN US

February 14 at 7:00 PM

SB

**Steve Brosius** posted:

Uncle King was a great guy. I'll always remember the visits to Grandmas in Decatur when all of us kids were scattered about the house and the adults were packed into the kitchen. They spent hours visiting in there. I remember the loud frequent laughter coming from the kitchen while Uncle King and my Dad and Uncle Joe argued about politics and who knows what else. I enjoyed over the past few years discussing western fiction and Jan's cooking when he and Aunt Maggie, Joe and Patty would visit with us in Mass. I'll miss him alot and plan to toast him at Eskers this spring when I come out to visit. I imagine now Uncle King and my Dad are probably arguing once again in heaven right about now. Good bye Uncle King. Poquoson, VA US

February 13 at 7:00 PM

JB

**James T. Brosius** posted:

Whenever my brothers and I arrived for a visit to Decatur, we would beg Uncle King for movie passes to the Avon Theater. On one or two occasions, he gave us passes to the Avon. After the chewing tobacco incident, he would only give us passes to the Rogers Theater. I think he considered us to be a threat to his livelihood. We all loved Uncle King's political views. He aggressively voiced his opinions in a Jimmy Stewart style that we all enjoyed to hear. I will always cherish the memories of my youth in Decatur. Uncle King and Maggie will always play a cherished role in those memories. South Russell, OH US

February 13 at 7:00 PM

BH

**Barbara & Jim Hutcheson** posted:

Sorry for your loss Pat, your dad had a long, wonderful life, and I know you will miss him. Valrico, FL US

February 13 at 7:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring King by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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