



## Robert "Lee" L. King

July 27, 1940 - July 15, 2019

On Monday, July 15, 2019, Robert Lee King (or, for everyone that truly knew him – “Lee”) passed away peacefully with family at Huron Woods Nursing Home at the age of 78 years old. He was born on Saturday, July 27, 1940. Lee was the son of William King and Gilmer King (Morrow) of Pinconning, MI.

Left behind to cherish his memories are his 2 (two) sons: Terrell “Terry” King (Fiancé – Aaron Rodenbo) of Linwood, MI and Kevin King (Wife – Jolie) of Kingsley, MI, as well as his 4 (four) grandchildren: Jacob King; Remmi King; Jacie King; and Lexie King.

In addition, Lee is survived by his brother, Charles King of Bay City, MI; brother-in-law Roger Hoyle (wife - Denise) of North Port, FL, sister-in-law, Barbara Leach (Husband – Daniel) of Linwood, MI. Lee is predeceased by his parents William and Gilmer, brother, Gerald, all of Pinconning, MI, and, his beloved wife, Mary Lou King (Hoyle) of Linwood, MI. 62 years . . . that time span could be a person’s life span. However, that time span represents the time that Lee and Mary Lou spent together.

The two fell in love while attending Pinconning High School. Mary Lou – the Academic. Lee – the Athlete. The Prom King and the Prom Queen. No one can doubt that Lee found his counter-weight in love and life in Mary Lou and vice versa. They balanced each other in every aspect of their lives.

Mary Lou – the Artist. Lee – The Handyman. If Mary Lou were to paint a painting, surely Lee would be the man that would hang it. Lee was definitely a “Jack-of-all-Trades” man. He could fix anything that you put in front of him. He fueled his passion for his hobbies and career by “opening up” his mechanical mind on the Freeway that we call “Life.”

And, so, Lee went! Lee raced cars and snowmobiles throughout the entire State of Michigan. Notably, Lee was able to enjoy a few laps on the same track of highway that Dale Earnhardt, Jr. and Sr. once graced – Daytona 500. To this day, Lee’s beloved powder blue, 1974 Chevrolet Pick-up Truck sits in his garage in pristine condition and still on the same radio station. Lee also put his “mechanical mind” to work for himself. Lee was a Journeyman Millwright at GM for nearly 35 years. He happily retired at 55 years old, along with Mary Lou. During their time together, they visited 49 of the 50 United States. Often seen traveling throughout the United States in their motor home, along with their beloved dogs. After retiring, the couple became “Winter Texans” in Missions, TX. Throughout the

years, they adopted several dogs that they loved and cared for. In addition, they volunteered countless hours at Cinderella Pet Rescue of Mission, TX. Finally, no one can doubt that Lee loved his friends and family. Lee and Mary Lou were often referred to as “The Number One Fans” at many of their grandchildren, niece and nephew’s sporting events. In addition, when Lee and Mary Lou would attend family events, many people commented that it turned into a “dog park,” given the number of dogs that they adopted and loved.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that charitable contributions be made to the Cinderella Pet Rescue, P.O. Box 533, Penitas, TX 78576. In respecting Lee’s wishes, no funeral or memorial service will be held. To sign online guestbook, visit [www.cremationsocietymidmi.com](http://www.cremationsocietymidmi.com) Arrangements made with Cremation Society of Mid Michigan. All sympathy store items must be sent directly to the family home.

# Comments

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“ I will always remember lee coming to my door in Bentsen Palm and handing me a pack of uncooked bacon.. it was for a breakfast I was organizing ... I handed it back and told him to cook it first.. from that time on he always joked and tried to give me that uncooked bacon. .. He always had a smile and a dog by his side... May he rest in peace surrounded by his wife and all the dogs they had saved.

**carolyn tait** - July 20, 2019 at 03:56 PM

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“ Lee and Mary Lou were a very special couple and they will be remembered by many. Please know that our hearts and prayers are with the entire King family. Diana and John

**Diana Provost** - July 19, 2019 at 05:26 PM

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“ They were a great couple so sad. Jim Kossick

**JimKossick** - July 18, 2019 at 09:57 AM

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“ We are both so saddened for the loss of such a wonderful couple. John and I have been together for 51 years and I felt welcomed into the family from day one because of people like your mom and dad. It was always a pleasure visiting with them. I remember the one bit of advice your dad gave me about retiring. He said that you can't afford to retire if your house is not paid for. I guess that is something to keep in the back of your mind. They will be greatly missed. Love and prayers John and Kathy

**Kathy Lambert** - July 18, 2019 at 09:05 AM

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“ Words can not express how we feel about both Lee and Marylou passing. Such special people We had many good times with them especially when we were younger. Even after we moved away from MI we still kept in touch and visited when we could. I, Judy, will especially miss Marylou on our birthday as we spent many birthdays together and always called each other on the day. Our sympathy to all the family. Judy & Don

**Judy & Don Hover** - July 18, 2019 at 08:02 AM



“ Our hearts and prayers go out to the king family.

Fran Dice

**Kelly Dice-Smith** - July 18, 2019 at 06:46 PM