



James Derwin King

December 22, 1926 - February 23, 2017

James Derwin King, Derwin or “Flash” to his family and friends, was born on December 22nd, 1926 and passed to Heaven at 90 years old on February 23rd, 2017. He is survived by his wife of over 70 years, Mary Katherine Ross King; sons, Ross and David King; granddaughter, Kristin King; and great-granddaughter, Harmony Myhre. Derwin earned his HAM Radio license (W5LUU) at only 15 years old and was a Navy Veteran of WWII. He became a proud graduate of LSU (1951) with a Bachelor’s in Electron Physics and a Master’s in Physics from St. Mary’s University (1963). Derwin spent most of his professional career working at Southwest Research Institute until retirement in 1999. During his career, some of the areas he made advances in were nuclear magnetic resonance, measuring human bone density, detecting explosives in baggage and other projects for NASA and the government. His work earned him 53 patents.

Family and friends are invited to attend a memorial service at University Baptist Church, 6465 Babcock Road, San Antonio, Texas, on March 11th at 11:00 am. Reception to follow. Flowers may be sent directly to the church.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

University Baptist Church
6465 Babcock Road
San Antonio, TX
<http://ubcsa.org>

Tribute Wall

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“ Our deepest condolences and prayers to you Mrs. Katherine King and your sons Ross and David. Thank you for allowing us to be part of Mr. King's care. We bonded and just simply loved him, he made us laugh and cry, always a gentleman he captured our hearts. He will be truly missed.

*Teresa Martinez
Chaplain*

Terry Martinez - March 07, 2017 at 09:01 AM

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“ Derwin W5LUU was my friend and fellow ham radio buddy for many years. I met him through George Loos W5LFG back in the 70's. Amazing man and brilliant mind. I want to send my deepest condolences to Katherine and children during this most difficult time. We often met on 75 meters nearly every week-end morning and enjoyed having long visits together. I learned so very much from this man.

*73 and Semper Fidelis,
Pat W5CPD and Phyllis W5PWD
Del Rio, Texas 78840*

Pat Dugan - March 06, 2017 at 10:36 AM