



# Major Jack Worth King Jr.

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## **Major Jack Worth King Jr.**

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**J**ack Worth King, Jr., age 86, of Tavares passed away Sunday, January 17, 2016, following a brief illness with his devoted wife of 66 years, Charlene, at his side. Jack was born in Tavares on July 20, 1929. After graduation from Tavares High in 1948 he served briefly in the Navy and then began a lengthy career in law enforcement, first as a Eustis Police Officer and then spending 29 years with the Florida Highway Patrol rising through the ranks and holding numerous positions including “Chief Pilot” and upon graduation from the FBI Academy, “Special Investigator”. Later as a Captain, he commanded Troop H in central Florida encompassing seven counties. Jack retired as a Major in 1983. Outside of his work life, Jack enjoyed and was known for his skill and ingenuity at building things. He excelled at working with his hands and was the owner-operator of King Machine and Marine in Tavares where his focus was creating high performance automotive engines. Being a pilot, he was also interested in airplanes and hand-built not one but two acrobatic planes called a “Pitts Special.” Jack loved sports and was an avid Florida Gators fan. Among the things he will be remembered for are his quick wit and ability to recall from his many, many interesting and sometimes humorous experiences as a Highway Patrolman. Jack is survived by his wife, Charlene (Nichols); son, Mark King of Ider, AL; daughters, Ann Turley of Astor, FL and Tammie Rikansrud of Winter Springs, FL; their spouses; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father, Jack; mother, Marie; and sister, Elizabeth. The family will receive friends on Wednesday, January 20, 2016 from 6:00PM until 8:00PM at Steverson Hamlin & Hilbish Funeral Home, Tavares. Funeral Services for Major King will be held on Thursday, January 21, 2016 at 10:00AM at the First Baptist Church of Tavares. Interment will follow at Tavares Cemetery. Arrangements have been entrusted to Steverson, Hamlin & Hilbish Funerals and Cremations, 226 E. Burleigh Blvd.,



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Tavares, FL 32778, (352)343-4444. Online condolences may be left on the Tribute Wall.



## Events


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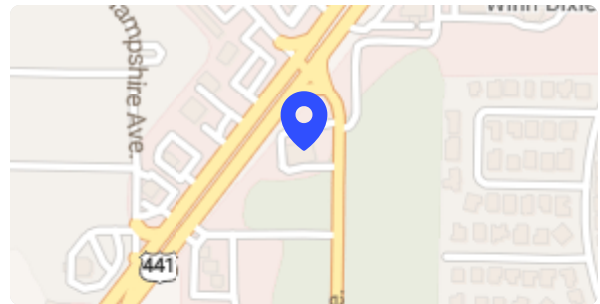
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### Visitation

 **Wednesday**, January 20, 2016


 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET


 **Steverson - Hamlin & Hilbish Funeral Home**  
226 E. Burleigh Boulevard, Tavares FL 32778

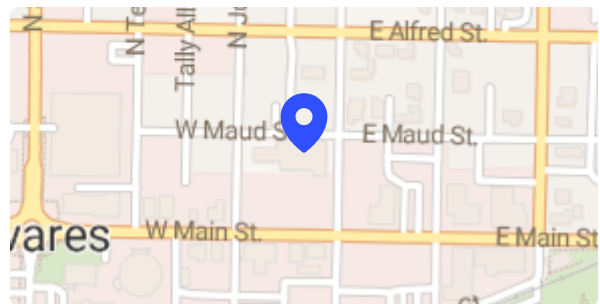


### Funeral Service


 **Thursday**, January 21, 2016

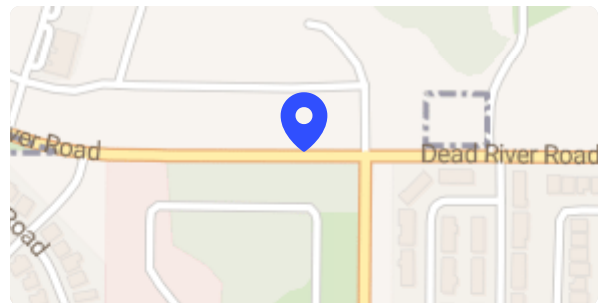
 10:00 AM ET

 **First Baptist Church of Tavares**  
124 N. Joanna Avenue, Tavares FL 32778



### Cemetery Details

 **Tavares Cemetery**  
Dead River Road, Tavares FL 32778





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**Ilder Baptist Church** sent a Plants-A-Plenty to the King family.

January 20 at 8:57 AM



RD

**Richard Dion** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers to Charlene and Family. We will miss him at the Lodge. God Bless.Richard and Marti Dion

January 20 at 6:10 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket to the King family.

January 20 at 5:12 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Bountiful European Dish Garden to the King family.

January 20 at 4:34 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White to the King family.

January 20 at 4:18 AM



GM

**Gary Morrison** posted:

GOD BLESS.GARY MORRISON-FHP RETIRED.

January 19 at 3:55 PM



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**Keith And Stephanie Wilkes** sent a Classic Sympathy Dish Garden to the King family.

January 19 at 9:34 AM



**Glen Duncan & Family** sent a Blue & White Sympathy Basket to the King family.

January 19 at 8:21 AM



**Anonymous** sent a European Sympathy Dish Garden to the King family.

January 19 at 7:53 AM



**Steverson, Hamlin & Hilbish Funerals Andcremations** shared an album called **LifeTributes**.

January 18 at 12:42 PM



**Barb Hand** posted:

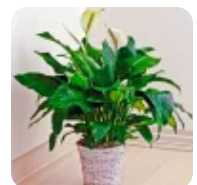
Heartfelt sympathies to your family for your loss. My prayers go out to you. May you celebrate his life and cherish his memories. Your friends in peace Barb Hand and family

January 18 at 4:10 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Floor Plant for Sympathy to the King family.

January 18 at 2:16 PM





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**Jerry Scheidel** posted:

Had some good times & talks when you would stop in at jerry's amoco. You were one of the greatest.  
R.I.P.

January 18 at 12:42 PM



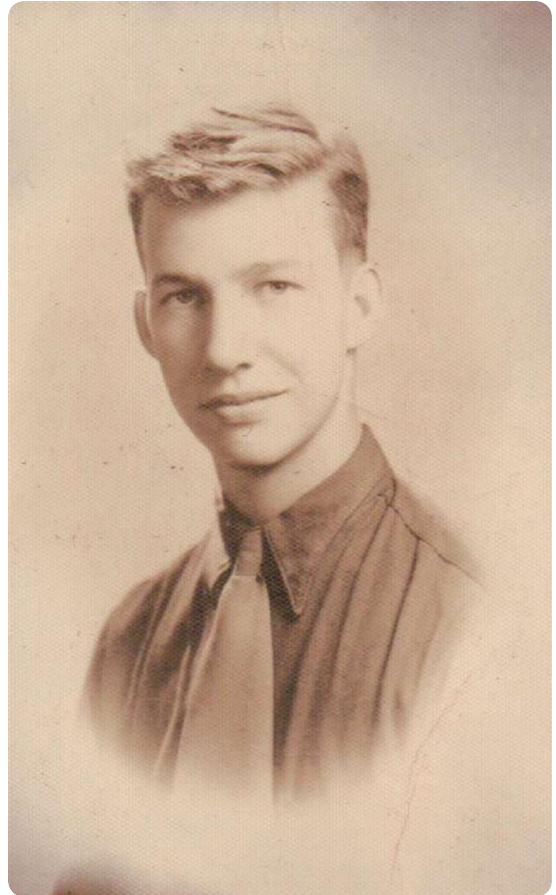
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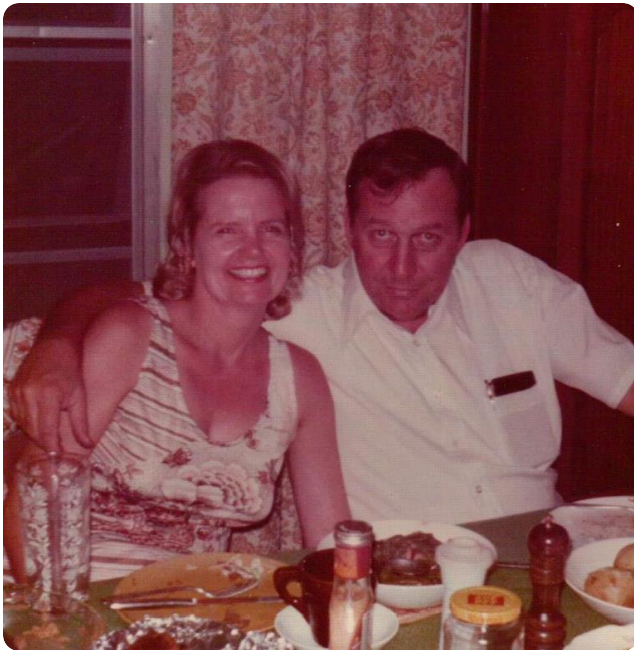
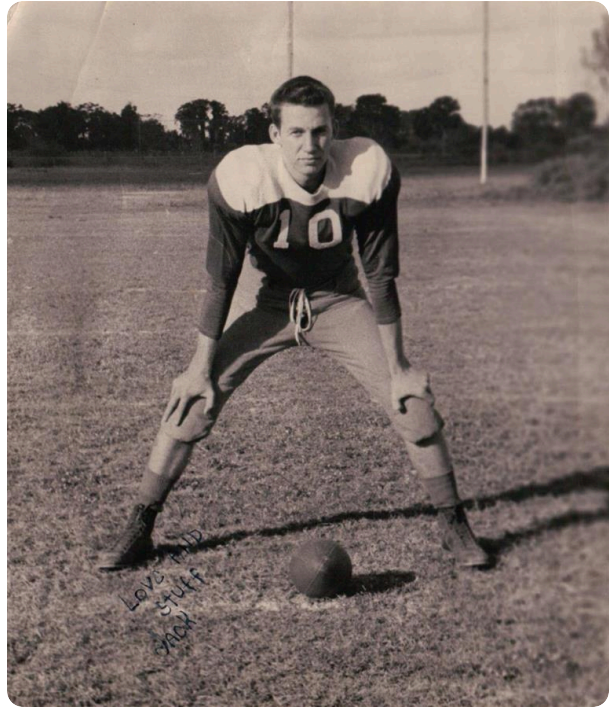




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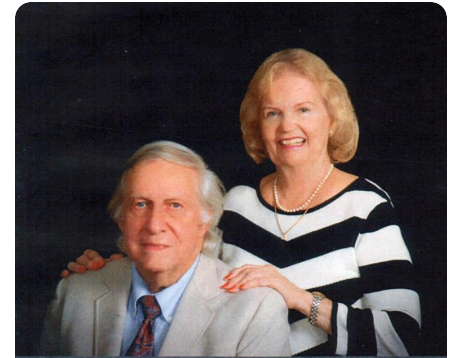
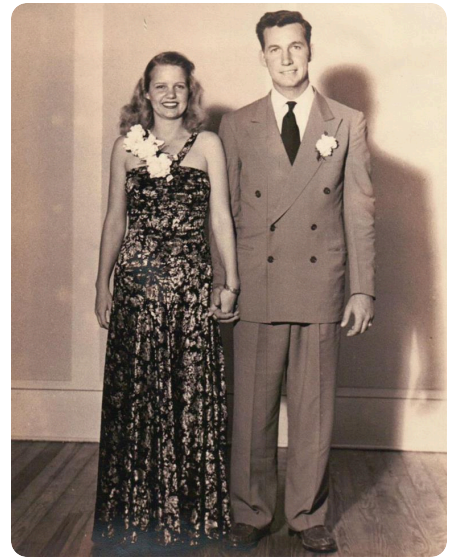




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