



## JoAnn King

August 29, 1936 - March 22, 2025

JoAnn King was born August 29, 1936, to William and Gladys Miller. JoAnn was the eighth of eleven siblings.

JoAnn grew up in Atchison, Kansas and matriculated through the Atchison school system, graduating in 1954. After graduation JoAnn worked at the local drugstore and soda fountain. In 1962, she moved to Topeka and worked at the Kansas Neurological Institute. In 1965, JoAnn married Sgt. Sammie King, and they were married for 59 years. That same year she started her career in nursing service with the Veterans Administration Hospital. JoAnn helped our veterans and often had stories to tell.

JoAnn transferred from the Nursing Service to the Radiology Department in 1984, where she was department secretary until her retirement in February 1998. In her retirement she was able to spend time with her grandchildren and later in life her great-grandchildren. JoAnn and Sam took road trips to visit family in South Carolina and Alabama. She was also able to travel to California and Washington state.

JoAnn spent 20 plus years as the treasurer of Highland Crest Community Seventh Day Adventist Church and filled in from time to time as the church pianist. She also donated to charities that she believed in such as St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Adventist Development and Relief Agency, and

Religious Liberty, just to name a few.

JoAnn enjoyed collecting figurines and had quite an extensive collection of specifically African American art. She would mess around in the yard and would ensure that her roses and irises were always beautiful.

In recent years, JoAnn had her share of health struggles, and more recently she often mentioned she was tired. On March 22, 2025, she took her rest to await our Saviors soon coming.

JoAnn leaves to mourn her husband, Sammie; her daughters, Krystal and Sandy; stepdaughter, Pheetta; stepson, Theodore; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

JoAnn's visitation will be at 1 p.m. with a memorial service to follow at 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 10, 2025, at Highland Crest Community SDA Church, 3225 SE Adams Street, Topeka KS 66605.

Condolences may be sent online at [www.kevinbrennanfamily.com](http://www.kevinbrennanfamily.com)

When I have gone the last mile of the way  
I will rest at the close of the day  
And I know there are joys that await me,  
When I have gone the last mile of the way.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 10. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Highland Crest Community SDA Church  
3225 SE Adams Street  
Topeka , KS 66605

## Memorial Service

APR 10. 2:00 PM (CT)

Highland Crest Community SDA Church  
3225 SE Adams Street  
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# Tribute Wall

AT

“ Amy Tufano lit a candle in memory of JoAnn King



Amy Tufano - May 03, 2025 at 06:30 PM

CF

“ I send heartfelt condolences and prayers of comfort for the King family at this difficult time. Know that our family will be keeping you lifted up. Sending hugs and love...❤️

C Timpson and family - April 08, 2025 at 04:36 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of JoAnn King.



April 07, 2025 at 02:38 PM

RH

“ This is my great auntie. Never got to meet her in person. Which I was trying to. I send my deepest condolences to my family. It seems she lived a good life. To read the story about her is amazing. My name is Roy Holmes and Clifford Miller was my grandfather.

roy holms - April 05, 2025 at 02:12 PM

LR

“ *Just wanted to send love and my heartfelt prayers to the family. I wish i could have met my aunt in person but i did get to talk to her on the phone. It was always a pleasure. She was my dad sister I'm truly blessed to have gotten the opportunity. Love always Lesia (Miller) Russell.*



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**Lesia (Miller) Russell** - April 05, 2025 at 01:58 PM

SK

“ *Sandy King lit a candle in memory of JoAnn King*



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**Sandy King** - April 03, 2025 at 08:50 PM