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INFORMATION RELEASE
Passing of Sheriff's Canine King

It is with great sadness that the Solano County Sheriff's Office announces the passing of its very first Sheriff's canine, King. King became part of the Sheriff's Office family in 2001 when Deputy Michael Waller was chosen to be our agency's first canine handler. King was a dual-purpose canine, trained in patrol and narcotics detection. King served the Sheriff's Office and the residents of Solano County for nearly ten years before King retired in 2009. After retirement, King stayed with Deputy Waller and lived the life of a "King".

Deputy Waller said, "King was Solano County Sheriff's first patrol canine and I was lucky enough to have been selected to drive him around. My sole job was to ensure he made it to all the calls he was needed, from there he took over. King was not just good; he was and is a legend. King had the ability to apprehend a 275lb man high on narcotics, locate narcotics in the most undesirable home and put on a demonstration for a pre-school class all in the same hour." Deputy Waller went on to say, "Without King I would not be the deputy, canine handler not canine trainer I am today. King will be missed."

Our thoughts are with Deputy Waller and the entire canine team during this difficult time.

If you have any questions regarding this press release, I can be contacted at the phone numbers listed below. Any photos that are available for release will be posted on the Solano Sheriff's Office Facebook page.



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