

King, Coretta Scott (1927–2006), was an African American supporter of civil rights and the widow of civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr. She was president of the King Center in Atlanta, Georgia, which works to commemorate her husband's achievements. She and her husband are buried at the center, near the church where King was pastor.

Coretta King was born on April 27, 1927, near Marion, Alabama. She graduated from Antioch College and studied concert singing at the New England Conservatory of Music. Mrs. King helped her husband in his civil rights work by giving speeches and recitals. She continued these activities after King's death in 1968. She was the author of *My Life with Martin Luther King, Jr.* (1969). Mrs. King died on Jan. 30, 2006.

See also [King, Martin Luther, Jr.](#)

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