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DoorKing



1948



1954



1959



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DoorKing Manufacturing Co.
4713 Sanfield Blvd., Los Angeles 44, Calif.
EXXone 7-3271 TElex 8-8031



1962



1971



1977



1981



1984



1989



1994



1995

- 1947** M.K. "Rich" Richmond, working out of a garage, builds his first garage door opener.
- 1948** Rich officially forms DoorKing and opens his first retail shop in Los Angeles.
- 1959** Assembly line opens.
- 1962** DoorKing revises company logo.
- 1970** DoorKing ornamental iron fences and gates installation company started.
- 1971** DoorKing starts manufacturing their own swing gate operators for the installation business.
- Mid-1970s** Rich's son, Thomas Richmond, begins working for DoorKing by installing products for the fence and gate side of the business.
- 1975** Company stops building garage door operators to focus on the fence and gate installation business.
- 1977** DoorKing introduces new gate operator models featuring solid-state circuit boards.
- 1980s** DoorKing begins to sell their gate operators to other installation companies and exhibits at its first trade show — the Far Western Garage Door Association — at the Aladdin Hotel in Las Vegas.
- 1981** First gate operator circuit board featuring microprocessors is built.
- 1982** Company redesigns logo into name plate style and places it on all entry system products.
- 1983** DoorKing builds its first functional hands-free telephone entry system (model 1801 and lighted phone directory).
- 1984** Models 1804 and 1810 telephone entry systems are introduced.
- 1985** DoorKing begins to manufacture parking gate operators.
- 1989** First residential "No Phone Line" telephone intercom system, the 1812, is released.
- 1994** First remote access account manager software is developed for telephone entry systems.
- 1995** DoorKing's ornamental iron fence and gate installation business is shut down and the company pivots to solely manufacturing.
- 1995** DoorKing builds their own RF remote controls (MicroClik system).
- 1999** MicroPlus rotating code RF controls are introduced.
- 2000** 9200 series of heavy-duty slide gate operators are introduced.
- 2005** Company creates one of the largest maximum security slide gate systems in existence — the 9500 Series slide gate operator line.
- 2007** First 6"-per-second, high-speed emergency close product is introduced for government applications.
DoorKing unveils 2.4 GHz wireless control option for complete perimeter access system.
- 2009** DoorKing adds Access Plus — IP-addressable and PC-programmable options.
- 2011** DoorKing introduces IM Server, a hybrid programming option that allows users to program their modem-connected telephone entry systems via an internet-connected computer.
- 2013** Current company logo is introduced.
- 2015** Wireless Adapter for cellular voice, data, and video is released.
- 2018** DoorKing "Cloud" access control system management is introduced.
- 2019** 900 MHz wireless access control systems are introduced.
- 2020** 2112 residential video intercom system is introduced.
- 2021** Enhanced parking gate lane barriers are introduced.
- 2022** ProxPlus Secure card reader line is introduced.
- 2023** Traffic control wedge barriers are introduced.
DoorKing celebrates 75 years in the door, gate, and access control industry. ■