

Kings of England

1000's - ii

EDWARD III THE CONFESSOR

23 yrs. 212 days. Childless, a power struggle followed for the throne. Patron Saint of England before St. George.

HAROLD II, GODWINSON - 282 days.

An earl and nobleman elected king by other nobles. After driving the Vikings from England he was killed the next month at the Battle of Hastings, the last Anglo-Saxon King.

Normans

WILLIAM I THE CONQUEROR

21 yrs. 259 days. Invaded England in 1066, ordered the Domesday Survey in 1086 to value his kingdom. He died on campaign in France the next year.

WILLIAM II RUFUS - 12 yrs. 311 days.

Unpopular, killed by an arrow while hunting, abandoned where he fell by fellow nobles who hurried to secure the treasury and his succession, his body was found later.