

# Monarchs of the United Kingdom

## 1800's

GEORGE III to 1820.

**GEORGE IV** - 10 yrs. 147 days.

Prince Regent for 10 years before his accession to the throne. Known as the "First Gentleman of Europe" for his style and manners, but earned the contempt of the people and dimmed the prestige of the monarchy. Considered a buffoon, his death was seen as a relief.

**WILLIAM IV** - 6 yrs. 360 days.

The "Sailor King", known for his lack of pretension, wanted to dispense with the coronation, passed reforms preventing child labour and slavery. The last British monarch to appoint a prime minister contrary to the will of Parliament.

**VICTORIA** - 63 yrs. 217 days.

Queen at 18, the last monarch of the House of Hanover. A reign of great social, economic and technological change. Britain became a world leading industrial power; by her death the British Empire was at its height. Was given the additional title "Empress of India".