



## Gertrude Ambrose

January 16, 2021

Gertrude “Trudy/Gertie” Ambrose passed away January 16, 2021 in Apex, NC of complications of Alzheimers disease.

Gertrude Louise Kizina was born in Winburne, PA to German immigrants. She was one of twelve surviving children. After high school graduation, Trudy was recruited by the US Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and moved to Washington, DC to begin her career. She served under J. Edgar Hoover in the Fingerprint Section for seven years. Trudy married Jim Ambrose in 1949 and they raised two daughters in DC and Maryland. Trudy’s second career was with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (Metro) where she spent many years as the sole lost and found person for bus and rail. Trudy and Jim traveled the world together and had a huge social circle called the FUN Club. Trudy loved to entertain and defined, “Hostess with the Mostess”.

Jim passed in 2009 and Trudy moved to Cary, North Carolina in 2010 to be near her children. She transferred her membership from her home church, Grace Lutheran Church in LaPlata, MD to Resurrection Lutheran Church in Cary NC. She loved her Bible Study friends and church families until dementia no longer allowed her to participate.

Trudy is survived by one sister, Marie Figal; daughters, Faith Lough (Peter Otten) and Sharon Ambrose (Bill Brooks); her dear grandchildren, Keith (Beckie) Lough, Kim Lough (Matt Davis), Torrey Brooks (Tuli) Mauga, Helen

(Walter) Tenney, and Erin (Neal) Anderson; eight great grandchildren; two great great grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Due to the weather forecast, the family has changed the date and time of the funeral service to 11:00 am Monday, February 15, 2021 at Grace Lutheran Church, 1200 Charles Street, La Plata, Maryland 20646. The service will be livestreamed. Livestream link to be added as soon as available.

Burial will be at Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery, Cheltenham, MD on Tuesday, February 16, 2021, time to be announced.

# Previous Events

## Service

FEB **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Grace Lutheran Church  
1200 Charles Street  
La Plata, MD 20646

# Tribute Wall



“ Gertrude Ambrose

October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ Gertrude Ambrose

October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ My regret is that I had not known you longer than I did know you. But to know you was to admire your beautiful spirit and elegance whenever I did get to see you. I am so grateful that I still will be able to know your special daughters Faith and Sharon, and we can share our memories together.

Rest in peace in your heavenly home dear Trudy  
Gloria Groeger

Gloria Groeger - February 16, 2021 at 04:49 PM



“ Aunt Gertie was always so sweet to Jimmy & I, she always treated me like family! I always thought she looked timeless, never seemed to age, always looked beautiful! Faith, Sharon & families, even though you miss her, she is in a happier place, she's herself again & back with Uncle Jim! Love you all Jimmy, Diane & family

Diane Heichel - February 15, 2021 at 10:55 AM

MB

“ Faith and Sharon, We are so sorry to hear about the passing of your mother. She lived a long life and will now be reunited with your Dad. Sending our prayers your way.  
Mike and Brenda Bagley

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**Mike Bagley** - February 14, 2021 at 11:11 AM

DG

“ Trudy and Jim were a marvelous Christian couple. Trudy came TO DC during WW 2, off of a farm, I think in PA and went to work in one of the government offices. Roomed with other ladies of similar backgrounds in Northern VA. They decided to have a picnic and Trudy invited a young butche

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**Dave Gehris** - February 09, 2021 at 11:57 AM

SA

*I wish the rest of that beautiful story was published! Sharon*

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**Sharon Ambrose** - February 10, 2021 at 03:50 PM

AV

“ Jim and I were so sorry to hear of Trudy's passing. She was a gracious, kind and most caring lady. May her memory be a blessing.

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**Anne Brooke Bowling Vachalek** - January 27, 2021 at 07:10 PM