



## Florence Genevieve Gitzen

October 2, 1921 - December 19, 2015

Florence Genevieve Gitzen, age 94, passed away on December 19, 2015 at Manassas Health and Rehabilitation Center in Manassas, VA.

She was born on October 2, 1921 in Bruhl, Wisconsin to the late Axel and Ida (Aho) Laurila.

Predeceased by her parents; her first husband, John Garrity; her second husband, Francis Gitzen and her brother: Oliver Laurila.

Survivors include two children: Linda Merritt and husband Bill; and Lori Germaine and husband Tom; four grandchildren: Dennis Merritt and wife Teresa, Sean Merritt and wife Michelle, Anthony Germaine and wife Tracy; and Leanne Offner and husband John; nine great grandchildren: Corey, Collin, Cameron, Caleb, Troy, Carson, Caitlin, Alex and AJ.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, April 16, 2016 from 10:00 AM -11:00 AM at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, VA; where services will be held at 11:00 AM with Pastor Tim Perrin officiating. Interment will follow at Fairfax Memorial Park, Fairfax, VA.

Condolences may be sent to: [www.piercefh.com](http://www.piercefh.com)



# Previous Events

## Family to receive friends

APR **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home  
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Manassas, VA 20110  
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pfh@piercefh.com  
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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *My thoughts are on Florence Gitzen, our neighbor who lived across the street from us on Tarpon Lane in Dale View Manor. My daughter called her Nani and sold her Girl Scout Cookies occasionally and we went to visit her when she moved to River Run Apartments down the street.*



**Curtis Stafford** - October 18, 2022 at 11:51 AM

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“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



**dennis merritt** - February 02, 2016 at 09:49 PM

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*December 1989. Graduation from ODU.*

**dennis merritt** - February 02, 2016 at 09:50 PM

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*Nani was so proud....first one in the family to graduate from college. It was a special day we will always remember!*

**Linda Merritt** - February 05, 2016 at 08:52 PM