



## Ruth Stroble Gregory

September 6, 1920 - November 16, 2013

Ruth Stroble Gregory passed away on November 16, 2013. She was born in Atlantic City, New Jersey, living in that region as a child and graduated from Atlantic City High School. As a young woman she moved with her parents to Washington, DC, as her father accepted a position with the Department of Interior.

She worked for the Department of Defense, then known as the War Department as a draftsman. She later accepted a position with HUMRRO, affiliated with George Washington University, it focused on psychological warfare studies. Mrs. Gregory became the manager of the publication department and remained with HUMRRO until she retired.

She married a childhood friend, James Collins Gregory in 1946 at Washington Street Methodist Church, Alexandria, VA. They resided in the Del Ray area of Alexandria, VA for over thirty years, raising their four children. Their children attended Alexandria public schools, graduating from George Washington or T.C. Williams High Schools.

Ruth enjoyed travel, reading and spending time with her family and friends. She had a passion for sports and for life. She was a frequent attendee at her grandchildren and great grandchildren's sporting events.

After retiring, they moved to Woodbridge, VA. Mr. Gregory died in 1985. She remained in Woodbridge, VA actively participating in the Salem Baptist Church and volunteering at the Occoquan Visitors Center. After several bouts with cancer she moved to Chantilly, VA to be closer to her daughter and son-in-law.

She resided with her daughter, Diane and son-in-law, Gary, her primary care givers, for several years, enjoying her grandchildren and great grandchildren, prior to moving to the Fauquier Health and Rehabilitation Center in November 2012.

Mrs. Gregory is survived by her daughter, Diane, her son-in-law, Gary, their children, Valerie, Gregory, their spouses, Peter Riccardi and Sarah Snyder Dempsey. She had six great grandchildren: Jack, Wyatt, Georgia Riccardi and Kennedy, Beckett and Colton (twins) Dempsey.

She also had two sons, Jay and Terry Gregory. Jay lives in Whitney, Texas with his wife, Landy and Terry resides in Springfield, VA. Her daughter, Kathleen and son-in-law, Terry Sampson are residents of Springfield, VA. Wade Sampson her grandson and his wife Tammy, reside in Gainesville, VA.

The family will receive friends on Friday, November 22, 2013 from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, VA where services will take place at 12:00 Noon. Interment will be private.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of the donations to: Alzheimer's Association, National Capital Area Chapter, 3701 Pender Drive, Suite 400, Fairfax, Virginia 22030 in loving memory of Ruth Gregory.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **22**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home  
9609 Center St.  
Manassas, VA 20110  
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pfh@piercefh.com  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Fall Fantasia was purchased for the family of Ruth Stroble Gregory.*



November 22, 2013 at 11:49 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ruth Stroble Gregory.*



November 21, 2013 at 10:04 PM



“ *Diane and Gary,  
We are sorry to hear of the passing of Ruth. What a wonderful gift God gave you Diane to have your Mom for over 50 years to share your children, events and memories! Your Mom was obviously loved by many and will be missed as you and Gary always talk so lovingly about her.*

**Natalie McArtor** - November 21, 2013 at 07:11 PM

JW

“ *Diane & Gary, so sorry to hear about Ruth. She had a long life and was blessed to have you and Gary and your family to surround her with such love and support. My prayers are with all of you. May your memories be happy and you all find solace in the fact that you were a spectacular daughter and your family is the best.*

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**Jill Wolford-Hall** - November 21, 2013 at 05:59 PM

MD

“ *Mike and Terry Downey purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ruth Stroble Gregory.*



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**Mike and Terry Downey** - November 21, 2013 at 12:49 PM

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“ *Dear Diane , Gary and family,  
I was saddened to hear about the passing of your mom. I know she was such a kind and caring person and will be deeply missed by all. Please know you all are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. God bless you all.*

*Noel & John Whitney*

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**noel** - November 20, 2013 at 07:52 AM

BG

“ *Diane, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time of loss.*

*Bob Gahagan*

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**Bob Gahagan** - November 19, 2013 at 12:16 PM

JP

“ Gary and Diane, although I never had the pleasure of getting to know your mom, I have heard Gary talk of her often. You could see the love in his eyes when he spoke of her. She must of been a wonderful lady. Take comfort in knowing she is rejoicing with our Heavenly Father. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. God bless.

*Jerry and Rhonda Passaro*

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**Jerry Passaro** - November 18, 2013 at 01:15 PM

LW

“ Ruth was a dear sweet lady who will remain in our hearts forever. Her thoughtful deeds and kindness for others made her special. She touched the Sampson family in so many wonderful ways, but especially in giving us Kathy. Ruth cooked the best Thanksgiving dinner ever and she shared what she had willingly. When our father died, and later when our mother was ill and passed away, Ruth was there to ease our sadness and lend support. Ruth gave to others without any expectations. We have such wonderful memories of Ruth over the years -- her spirited personality, her loving nature, and her love of adventure and travel. Rest in peace, dear Ruth.

*Linda, Terry and Ronnie Sampson*

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**Linda Weldon** - November 18, 2013 at 11:43 AM

WT

“ William T.Welsch purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ruth Stroble Gregory.



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**William T.Welsch** - November 17, 2013 at 07:52 AM