Vida V. Geiger

(9 Apr 1907 - 5 Oct 1980)

Geiger, Vida V. On Sunday October 5, 1980 of Bethesda, Md., wife of John F. Geiger, mother of Betty Lee Dunigan; sister of Robert Varela and Kathryn V. Pugh, grandmother of Doretta DeGiorgio. Friends will be received a Pumphrey's Bethesda-Chevy Chase Funeral Home, 7557 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda, Md. 3 to 5 and 7 to 9, Tuesday, where services will be held, Wednesday October 8, 11 a.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

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Vida V. Geiger, Secretary for 25 Years at Archives

Vida Varela Geiger, 73, a secretary with the National Archives for about 25 years before retiring in 1960, died Sunday in Suburban Hospital after a stroke.

Prior to joining the National Archives, she had been a secretary to Professor Dumas Malone while he was working on the "Dictionary of American Biography."

Mrs. Geiger was a member of the Kenwood Golf & Country Club for 30 years and had served two terms on its board of governors. She also had been captain of its ladies "A" tennis team and was a former chairman of its inter-club tennis league.

Mrs. Geiger was a native of Washington and a resident of Bethesda. She was a graduate of Central High School and attended Temple Business College in Washington.

Survivors include her husband, John F., of Bethesda; a daughter, Betty Lee Dunegan of Vienna; a sister, Kathryn Pugh of Nanjemoy, Md., and a brother, Robert Varela of Washington.

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Vida Varela Geiger, 73, a District native and retired secretary for the National Archives, died yesterday in Suburban Hospital after a stroke. She lived on Hamilton Spring Court in Bethesda.

Mrs. Geiger was a graduate of old Central High school and Temple secretarial School. She was a grand niece of composer John Philip Sousa.

She worked for the National Archives for 25 years until her retirement in 1960. Earlier, she worked on the Dictionary of American Biography" for historian Dumas Malone.

Mrs. Geiger was captain of the Ladies "A" Team of Kenwood Golf and Country Club and she was the chairwoman of the Interclub Tennis League at Kenwood. She also served two terms on the Kenwood board of governors, representing tennis activities.

She leaves her husband, John F. a daughter, Betty L. Dunegan of Vienna; a sister, Kathryn Pugh of Nanjemoy, Md.; a brother, Robert C. Varela of the District and a grandchild.