



## Louis Godoy Holland

February 28, 1940 - October 15, 2025

Louis Godoy Holland was born 2/28/1940 in Calvert County, Md to the late Clarence and Beatrice Holland. He was married to his wife of 52 years, Gwendolyn ( Gwen) Holland.

Louis joined the Army in 1964, he served 2 tours in Vietnam where he earned a Purple Heart, Bronze star and several other badges of honor. He was honorably discharged from the Army in 1968. Louis had an outstanding career with the DC Metropolitan police department, he retired from the DC Metropolitan Police as Detective SGT. After retirement, because of his love of history he went to work for the National Archives in College Park, Md a few minutes from home. Louis was well versed in German and he could give you a lot of information on German history, “be prepared to get a true history lesson.”

Louis is survived by his wife of 52 years Gwendolyn (Gwen), daughter Sherrita Holland and son Louis, (Alisha) Holland. Mother in-law Annie Wilson, grandchildren Micah, A'Ioni, and Keanu Garry, Malakai, Makayla, Triniti, Kailiyah, and Leia Belle Holland. Armon Carey and Autumn Taper. Great granddaughter A'aliyah Garry. 4 sisters, Beatrice Jones, Doris Mason, Emmalene Stewart, and Clarice Gross. 6 sister in-laws and 5 brother in laws Rita Wilson, Calvin Wilson ( Alice), Gloria Kirby ( Alonzo), Anna Warren ( Ronnie), Ruth Smith ( Phil), Steve Wilson (Lisa). A host of nieces, nephews,

adopted children, friends and family.

Louis' legacy is one of love, generosity, strength, dedication, and perseverance. While we deeply mourn his absence, we celebrate the incredible life that he lived.

# Previous Events

## Wake

OCT **30**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

The People's Community Baptist Church  
31 Norwood Rd  
Silver Spring, MD 20905

## Funeral Service

OCT **30**. 11:00 AM (ET)

The People's Community Baptist Church  
31 Norwood Rd  
Silver Spring, MD 20905

# Tribute Wall

NL

“ *He will be missed. You all have my condolences* ”



Natalie Law and Jessie Lampkin - October 29, 2025 at 09:30 PM

FF

“ *From The Wolfpack Family. purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Louis Godoy Holland.* ”



From The Wolfpack Family. - October 28, 2025 at 01:25 PM

FF

“ *From The Wolfpack Family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Louis Godoy Holland.* ”

From The Wolfpack Family. - October 28, 2025 at 01:25 PM

BP

“ *Barbara Pianowski lit a candle in memory of Louis Godoy Holland* ”



Barbara Pianowski - October 27, 2025 at 03:47 PM

BP

*In memory of a Wonderful Neighbor. Condolences to the family!*

**Barbara Pianowski** - October 27, 2025 at 03:48 PM

MW

“ *Mary Wolfe lit a candle in memory of Louis Godoy Holland*



**Mary Wolfe** - October 27, 2025 at 03:16 PM

DF

“ *Dr. Paul E Pritchett and Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Louis Godoy Holland.*



**Dr. Paul E Pritchett and Family** - October 27, 2025 at 10:52 AM

DF

“ *Dr. Paul E Pritchett and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Louis Godoy Holland.*

**Dr. Paul E Pritchett and Family** - October 27, 2025 at 10:52 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Louis Godoy Holland.*



October 27, 2025 at 09:34 AM



“ Gwen, Sherrie, Louis and family. I offer my deepest condolences on your loss. I pray that God gives you strength and comforts you during this difficult time. Louis will be truly missed!

Allen Martin - October 27, 2025 at 09:24 AM

TF

“ The Smith Family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Louis Godoy Holland.



The Smith Family - October 26, 2025 at 11:33 AM

TF

“ The Smith Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Louis Godoy Holland.

The Smith Family - October 26, 2025 at 11:33 AM

DW

“ Darlene Wilhite lit a candle in memory of Louis Godoy Holland



Darlene Wilhite - October 24, 2025 at 01:29 PM

DW

*Thank you Uncle Louis for watching over me since I was 15 years old. You have always been there for me. Thanks for standing in as my replacement father, my uncle, my brother, my protector, and my friend. You have been such a blessing for so many people.. I thank God for granting you years of grace and mercy to complete your mission. I was so honored to be in your presence. Couldn't have asked for a more kinder, loving, strong, intelligent person to play so many roles in my life. I'll always remember you and keep you close in my heart. You accomplished so many things during your lifetime. So proud of you. A true soldier always displaying love, trust, strength, with a God-fearing spirit. I love you.*

**Darlene Wilhite** - October 24, 2025 at 05:07 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Louis Godoy Holland.



October 24, 2025 at 12:19 PM

AC

“ Anne and. Regis Clifford planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Louis Godoy Holland.

**Anne and. Regis Clifford** - October 24, 2025 at 12:19 PM

JA

“ Jeffrey & Mary Allwine purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Louis Godoy Holland.



**Jeffrey & Mary Allwine** - October 24, 2025 at 08:42 AM

GN

“ What I remember most about Uncle Louis is his bravery, confidence and how powerful and clear his words were when he spoke. He always had an inspiring advice to give along with some good family history. My respect for you will forever remain. I will share with my 4 grandsons of your greatness and limportance for family. One the last thing you said to me recently and you have said this on a few occasions. "Nephew, be sure to always take care of and treat your beautiful wife right." I thank God for you Uncle Louis. Your love and legacy will forever reside within me. Your heroic bravery to family, community and to serve our country will never go unnoticed. Love you sir, Your nephew, Garry💙

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**Garry Niles** - October 23, 2025 at 09:57 PM

CG

“ To my Family - Louis and Gwen, Sherrie and Louis, Jr. my memories are deep and heart felt! They go back so far..... Even as I write these words of Love with passion I pray for us All daily with deep roots of Family - taught to us by our Elders ❤️🌹❤️ Louis, Sr. is with our GOD now in Heaven for sure🙏🙏. Love Niicy💖🌹

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**Cousin Denise Grady** - October 23, 2025 at 01:28 PM

DN

“ Gwen, Sherri , Lil Louis , Grands & Family:  
I'm so sorry for your loss. My heart goes out  
to you all during this difficult time.

Gwen: Seeing the life you and Louis built  
together was a true gift. He loved you so  
fiercely and it was evident in everything he did. He loved hard on his  
family and extended, adopted family & friends. We're thankful for his  
Service (Military & Public). I'm going to miss him. Especially , his  
phone calls when we go on vacation, road and shopping trips etc.,  
to check on us throughout. He was such a caring protector and  
provider. I'm so honored to have been a part of his journey with you  
and family. The love Louis gave, the lives he touched; that's what  
made his dash so meaningful. He will be forever remembered and  
in our hearts. Thinking of you and grieving alongside you. I'm here  
for you and family. May GOD grant you and family strength, comfort  
and peace! Job well done 🙏🏻👉❤️. I love you all! Donna Nunn &  
Family 😊



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Donna Nunn - October 22, 2025 at 10:30 PM

EM

Gwen, you and your family have my deepest condolences. I too had a  
decade with my late husband 64 years and still think about him all the  
time. It takes time and you know he wants you to go on and live your life  
because nothing will replace the love you both had together. There's  
going to be the first of everything coming up without him but know that  
he will be forever be in your ❤️. I pray 🙏 for your strength in the  
coming days, months and years. You know he's looking down on his  
devoted and loving Gwen ❤️. Im just a phone call away, call the old girl  
if you need. ❤️ ❤️ Ernie.

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Ernestine M Marshall - October 22, 2025 at 11:04 PM

MI

“ Michele purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Louis Godoy Holland.



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**Michele** - October 22, 2025 at 08:22 PM

MI

“ Michele planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Louis Godoy Holland.

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**Michele** - October 22, 2025 at 08:22 PM

RB

“ Uncle Louis called me one day. He was excited about getting his memoir to me. He had called to verify my address but we ended up on the phone for an hour or more! He shared so much about our family and himself. This is one of, if not my favorite memory. My love for him will NEVER EVER DIE OR DWINDLE. He WAS ONE OF A kind who made me feel that I was his favorite; but we ALL felt that way. I remember (as a youth/teen) when he showed up (always impromptu) at momma’s house. We were always surprised & so excited. Always tall, handsome, sharply dressed, smiling, kind words, confident voice & presence. My mother’s beloved baby brother, my beloved uncle, a role model who inspired me to do my best in life without condemnation but with a heroic heart, persistent LOVE. Truly you have blessed me...and all of us (nieces/nephews especially) to walk honorably. A Man. A soldier. An officer. A hero. A Dad. A Husband. MY UNCLE!!! Surely you have heard: “Well done My good and faithful servant...”(Matt. 25:23)❤️

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**Rev Barbara Buchanan** - October 22, 2025 at 12:37 PM

SC

“ Sameirow Carter lit a candle in memory of Louis Godoy Holland



Sameirow Carter - October 21, 2025 at 02:33 PM

JT

“ Louis was such and humble man always had good stories to tell when he come home he will be truly missed, sending prayers to my Family's may God keep you close in him arm and wipe every tear away Sending my condolences to my Family's 🙏💔😭



Joyce Tarpley - October 21, 2025 at 01:49 PM

LW

“ Lisa Cheek Wilson purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Louis Godoy Holland.



Lisa Cheek Wilson - October 21, 2025 at 10:55 AM

DS

“ Thank you so much uncle Louis for trying your best to get the family together I enjoyed the family gathering at the park and when you could no longer do it because of illness you made sure Sherri stepped up in your place, your love for our family was so important to us although we didn't see you much it was just wonderful to see your posts on Facebook

Dianne Sewell - October 21, 2025 at 02:46 AM

BW

“ Condolences to the entire family! I will always be grateful to this Holland and Wilson Family for your big hearts of love and caring you have shown for others. Gwen, Sherri and Louis, I will never forget your love and kindness you have always shown me. Big Louis was a Giant of a protector of people and I will miss him. I love you guys❤️ and Steven sends his love too.

*Brenda D. Woods and Family  
Mitchellville, MD*

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**Brenda D Woods** - October 21, 2025 at 01:51 AM

DT

“ He was the perfect example of a man to me . Showed me exactly what a man should be he was full of love for those of us who needed that extra love and for that i will always cherish the memories of the times I enjoyed with you

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**David Tillman** - October 20, 2025 at 11:49 PM

MC

“ Mrs. Rosie Carter purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Louis Godoy Holland.



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**Mrs. Rosie Carter** - October 20, 2025 at 10:48 PM