



Elsa Ambrose

April 18, 1926 - January 18, 2014

Elsa Ambrose quietly passed away January 18, 2014. Her memorial service will be Saturday evening January 25 from 6:00 to 7:30 at the Platinum Real Estate Northland Office, 4444 N. Belleview, Gladstone MO. In lieu of flowers, we ask you to make a donation to the charity of your choice.

Elsa Jean Ambrose was born April 18, 1926 in Warrenburg, Missouri, the daughter of Theodore and Carolyn Reid. She graduated from high school at Great Bend, Kansas, attended college at Colorado Women's College in Denver and the University of Wisconsin at Madison, Wisconsin. She married John ("Jay") King Galloway before she graduated and two years later moved to Alberta, Canada. With Jay Galloway, she had two children: John Galloway who is a photojournalist in Flint, Michigan and Debra Bruch who is a retired professor from Michigan Technological University in Houghton, Michigan. In 1954, she and Jay divorced and Elsa Ambrose married Robert Ambrose in 1955. With Robert Ambrose, she had a son, David Reid Ambrose who is deceased. She has lived in Denver, Colorado; Alberta, Canada; San Diego, Palo Alto, Los Altos, Monterey, Ramona, Alameda, San Francisco, California; Pensacola, Florida; New York City; Fairfax, Virginia; and Maryville and the Kansas City northern area, Missouri.

She divorced Robert Ambrose in 1975 and returned to college and graduated in 1977 with a BS degree in Art Education. She had a life-time certification to

teach in the state of Missouri.

She was licensed as a Realtor in 1978 and as a Broker salesperson in 1981. Real estate was her primary source of income with the exception of a period in late 1981 until late 1983, when she opened a small manufacturing business called Apple House when she partnered with Marilyn Thompson.

In the late 1980s, her brokers at Century 21 American asked her to train the agents. She put together what she called Elsa's Nuts and Bolts Training. She felt there was a large gap between pre-licensing and the sales training most of the companies provided. She concentrated on teaching how to qualify buyers, understand and correctly fill in contracts, how to take a listing, properly set appointments and show the homes, how to figure loan amounts for various financing on how to search for comps and find properties in the computer (this was pre-monitor and CMA's), how to service the listings and the contracts, etc.

Elsa is survived by her son John Galloway, daughter Debra Bruch, and her granddaughter Tera Galloway who is an Assistant Professor at Illinois State University. Tera is married to Kate Galloway. She is also survived by her loving extended family concentrating in the north Kansas City area, including her BFF Robin Comer, her husband, Frank, and her children Crystal, and Daniel, the rest of the Comer family, and many longtime beloved friends such as John and Mia Willoughby, Mandy Brown, Jerri Moulder, Michelle Gessler, and many, many more. Rest in Peace, Elsa!!!

Tribute Wall



“ *Elsa Ambrose*

October 08, 2023 at 10:59 AM



“ *Elsa Ambrose*

September 17, 2022 at 08:24 PM



“ *I didn't know john mom but if she anything like her son she's was a amazing lady I went out on date with john he was a nice guy n has remained a friend rip*

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