

Audrey Gruger

Quick Facts

Birth: May 17, 1930

Minot, North Dakota

Death:

Occupation: Volunteer

Party Affiliation: Democrat

Years served: 1976-82

Office: Representative;

Metro-King County Council member

District: 1 (King, Snohomish Counties)

Personal:

- Mother was the third woman elected to the North Dakota legislature.
- Worked as a caseworker for the Washington State Department of Social & Health Services, 1969-71.
- Resides in Shoreline
- Married, 3 children

Education:

- University of Washington, B.A.
- University of California

Community Service:

- Shoreline YMCA
- YMCA Juvenile Justice Taskforce
- Bureau of Children's Services Advisory Committee
- Plymouth Congregational Church

Affiliations:

- Women's Political Caucus
- Bothell-Shoreline, American Association of University Women
- National Order of Women Legislators
- League of Women Voters, human resources chairperson
- Common Cause

Awards:

- Leadership Award, Medina Children's Service, 1980
- Appreciation Certificate, Firland Correctional Center 1978-80
- Recognition Award, Aldercrest PTA, 1980

Legislative & State Service:

- Elected November 2, 1976 to served Arthur C. Brown's unexpired term.
- Resigned January 10, 1982. Grace Cole was appointed to fill her position.

Committees: (1977) Constitution, vice-chair; Ecology; Social and Health Services (1979) Constitution, Elections and Governmental Ethics; Higher Education; Social and Health Services (1981) Ethics, Law and Justice; Higher Education; General Government-Appropriations

Leadership, Positions & Appointments:

- Metro-King County Council, chair
- Council for Planning Affiliates, legislative liaison

Sources:

- "Audrey Gruger: Raised To Be `Part of The Solution'," by Judy Van Deen, *The Seattle Times*, July 10, 1991.
- Ray Moore: An Oral History, interviewed by Sharon Boswell, Washington State Oral History Program, Office of the Secretary of State, 1999