



Gloria White Gardner (middle of the second row)



Gloria White Gardner, Neuropsychiatric Nurse

Served in the U.S. Navy in Bethesda, MD, from 1960 to 1963

Gloria White Gardner was stationed at Bethesda Naval Hospital in Maryland where she worked as a neuropsychiatric nurse in the Navy medical corps from 1960 to 1963. Prior to entering the Navy, Gardner attended the Michael Reese School of Nursing in Chicago, Illinois, and worked at Jackson Park Hospital and Cook County Hospital. She also received a master's degree from Antioch College.

Gardner has over 35 years of experience working for Federal Executive agencies in Washington, DC and with national and state non-profit organizations and faith-based institutions. She served as the CEO and President of the Urban League of Greater Muskegon from 1990 - 2000 and was responsible for implementing and maintaining programs for Employment and Training, Health Program Initiatives, Housing, Community and Economic Development, Education, Youth Leadership and Development, Social Justice Initiatives and Race Relations.

During her years with the Federal Government she worked in managerial positions at the U.S. Department of Interior, U.S. Geological Survey, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Gardner also was contracted by the U.S. Department of Commerce Patent and Trademark Office to investigate and resolve cases regarding complaints of discrimination. During her career she held positions with the Institute of Public Administration, Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA), AT&T, and the D.C. Drug and Alcohol Clinic, and many other positions.

Gardner serves on many boards, committees and task forces including the NAACP Montgomery County Maryland Branch and the Veterans' Affairs Committee.

Gardner resided in Rockville, Maryland. She passed away on June 18, 2023, at the age of 83.