

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY

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TO: Diana Russell-Milton, National Ambassador

Jeanette D. Garcia, Department President of New Mexico

Hope you are enjoying the fall weather.

As we welcome the cooler weather, we are reminded of the upcoming Veterans Day. We take time to remember ALL our Armed Forces who have served in the military. We celebrate the fact that American men and women have taken their American pride to the next level and joined the American Military, to protect our rights and freedoms.

As we celebrate and remember our military, we also remember our military families who also have served in a way some will never understand. As a wife of a retired Army member, it has its good times and stressful times. But I have always been a proud military wife.

When I joined the VFW Auxiliary that pride was boosted to a higher level as I could do more to help support our American Soldiers, through the programs we do to support them. When I was asked to be Americanism/ Patriotic Instructor I felt an honor to serve in that position to teach the members, students, and others about Americanism and what it means.

We also remember our fallen and missing soldiers at this time. Even though we celebrate Memorial Day in May, they are always remembered for the sacrifice they made for our country.

When I see a person in a military hat when out and about, I always tell them "Thank You for your service." The looks they give you that you appreciate their service is heartwarming.

Always remember and appreciate the freedoms and rights our American service men and women give to us and the many sacrifices they endure to give us those rights and freedoms.

Proud to be American

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