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Department of New Mexico Officers & Chairmen

Department President Dominique Garcia

I am a life member of Auxiliary 401, Albuquerque, District 2. I started out in the Jr. Girls Unit at age 5 then joined the Auxiliary at 16, have held many positions in the Auxiliary, District and Department level. I joined under the eligibility of my grandfather who served in Vietnam, I have been a member for about 8 years. My Special project is Healing America's Heroes.

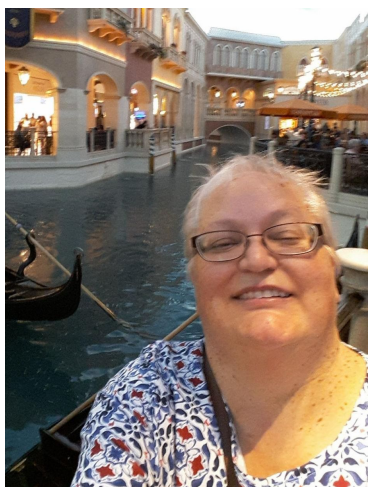


I don't like black olives!

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Department Sr Vice President Kandy Brazell

My time with the VFWA started back in 1999 when I was voluntold to join by my father, Turner A "Cotton" Brazell, that he was signing me up to help Mom. I really did not understand why it meant so much to him. Until I was elected as Department Guard and went to my first National Convention in North Carolina that I felt a closeness to my father that I never had felt before.



At that moment I decided I would do whatever I could to help our Heroes, our Vets. So here I am a member 23 years later doing what I love taking care of our Vets.

Green olives with pimentos are the best!

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Department Jr Vice President Danielle Garcia

Hospital Chairmen

I am a member of 401 Auxiliary in Albuquerque, New Mexico. I am a member through my grandfather, Joe D. Salas, who was in Vietnam. I have been in the Auxiliary for 10 years and was a Jr. Girl for 6 years. I am involved with the VFWA, alongside my grandmother, mother, and sister.

I like black olives only!

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Department Treasurer Penny Howard



I am a member of Aux. #614 in Aztec and District #1. I joined the Auxiliary on the eligibility of my Husband Eloy a retired Air Force Veteran with 26 ½ years of service with 1 tour in Vietnam and 2 tours in Korea. I have been a Life Member since our wedding at #614 in December of 1998.

I love all olives but green are my favorite!

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Department Secretary Jeanette D. Garcia

Americanism Chairman

I have been a member since 1985 (37 years). I was a Junior Girl for 2 years before becoming an Auxiliary member. I have two beautiful daughters: Danielle (VFWA Department Jr Vice President) and Dominique (VFWA Department President).

I love them ALL!

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Department Chaplain Renee King



Historian & Media Relations Chairman

I am a life member of the Santa Fe VFW Auxiliary 2951, District 6, on the eligibility of my father Anthony Zamora, who was a Sergeant in the US Army serving in Vietnam. My husband and I have been married for twenty-seven years, we have two adult daughters, one grandson and are expecting our first granddaughter in September 2022.

All olives matter, but Spanish Queens are the best!!

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Department Conductress Angelia Velarde-Logsdon

Scholarship Chairman

Hello, my name is Angelia Velarde-Logsdon. I am a member of Auxiliary

2951 Santa Fe in District 6. I joined the VFW Auxiliary through the eligibility of my husband, Gary Dale Logsdon. He served in the United States Air Force as a PJ (Pararescue). His combat deployments include Kuwait, Iraq and Afghanistan.

All olives are AWESOME!

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Department Guard Michelle Dennison



I joined VFWA Post 3370 10 years ago. Qualified by my Father who was in the Korean conflict. I am taking strides to make our Veterans lives better day by day.

Also, I love green olives.

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Department Chief of Staff Louise Salas

Extension & Revitalization Chairman

I joined the VFW Auxiliary in October, 1981 under the eligibility of my husband Joe, a Vietnam Veteran. We have been married for 55 years. We have three daughters, and 2 granddaughters, and all are members of the VFW Auxiliary.

Green olives RULE!

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National District 15 Council Member Mary "Girl" Sanchez



Youth Activities Chairmen

A Life Member of Gadsden Auxiliary 4384 in Anthony, New Mexico, she joined on the eligibility of her father Claro Sanchez, who served in the United States Army during World War II. Mary has served the organization in many capacities including as Auxiliary, District, and Department (state) President.

Nope, no olives for me, please!

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Auxiliary Outreach Chairman Kelly Fouse

I joined the VFWA at Post 7686 in 2003, met my husband Dave in 2004, we were married at 7686 in 2005; and have since then have been, with our family, active in the VFW and VFWA. I feel fortunate to be able to say that I was elected the Department President of NM for the years 2019-2020; and the VFWA of NM earned Circle of Excellence.



I love Black Olives and hate Green Olives!

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Buddy Poppy & National Home Chairman Barbara Santillanes

I began my journey with Auxiliary 401 in July 2021 as a life member under my Husband Joe Santillanes an Army Vietnam Veteran. I am also a daughter of a World War II



Veteran, my father, Sgt. Joe Jojola, also a lifetime member of the VFW 401. I previously held positions in the American Legion Auxiliary and have been a member since 1991.

Black olives are the best!

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Legislative Chairman Marsha Short

I have been a member of the VFW Post 10124 Auxiliary most of my adult life. After retiring from teaching 5 years ago, I became an officer for the first time. So far I have served as Secretary, Treasurer, Trustee, and Junior Vice of my Post Auxiliary.

I LOVE olives. All kinds!!

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Membership Chairman Shirlee Frias



Shirlee Frias is a life member of George O'Breece Auxiliary No. 401 in Albuquerque, New Mexico. She joined under her husband, Donald Frias who served in the Navy during the Gulf War. Shirlee has two children, a son Zacharie and his wife Mason, and a daughter, Alexis.

Just say NO to olives!!!

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Mentoring Chairman Dale Mann

I have been a chairman for the local Auxiliary, District 8, and/or Department

of New Mexico ever since I transferred my membership from the state of Texas. I became a Life Member to the VFWA in 1993. I have moved up the "chairs" in both the Local and Department levels (and many chairs on the District level) which taught me patience and persistence.

Green olives, NEVER black!

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Veterans & Family Support Vicky Westbrook



I joined this great organization under my father Dossie B. Starnes whom served in the Air Force. I've been a life member since 1996. I was Department President 2002-2003 and have been a chairman ever since.

Green olives always, black olives on pizza only!

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Department President Special Project Betty & Mark Decker

We met in Iraq in 2004. Mark was a Marine and I worked for Halliburton. Its been a wild ride from there. We moved to New Mexico in 2006 where I bought Mark his first VFW membership. Several years later he finally talked me into joining the Auxiliary and we haven't stopped since.

Also, we hate all kinds of olives!

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National President Special Project Janet Huft



I've been a member since 1995, I am a life member of Auxiliary VFW. I became a member under my husband Dale D. Huft – Gulf War - Kuwait. Dale Huft is a Life member 3015 VFW Post since 1994. We have two children – 1 daughter Elizabeth, life member, and a son Jason Huft, life member, VFW Post.

I like green olives but the black ones are okay too!

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