



I want to thank the Department of CT. VFW Auxiliary for electing me as your President for the ensuing year 2023-2024. It's my honor to serve you.

I joined the Auxiliary in 1979 under the eligibility of my children's father who was a Vietnam Veteran. I've been a member for 44 years and have worked my way through the chairs on all levels.

My motto this year is "Remember your WHY? I believe everyone that belongs to either the VFW or Auxiliary needs to remember the real reason we are part of this great organization. Our Veterans.

My special project is Tunnels to Towers (T2T) Who since 9/11, have helped America's heroes by providing mortgage-free homes to Gold Star and fallen first responder families and by building specially adapted homes for catastrophically injured veterans and first responders.

My symbol is the "Buddy Poppy", and my colors are Red & Black

I'm looking forward to volunteering alongside the members of both the Auxiliary and VFW aiding our veterans and their families.

Loyally,

*Grace*

Grace Patch Kelly, President

Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary

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