



Carla Martinez

National President

2023-2024

Carla Martinez of Layton, Utah, was elected to the office of National President of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States (VFW) Auxiliary at its 110th National Convention in Phoenix, Arizona.

A Life Member of Lt. Clarence E. Allen Auxiliary 409 in Salt Lake City, Utah, she has served the organization in many capacities, including Auxiliary, District and Department President. She also served as Department Chief of Staff from 2017 to 2018.



On the National level, Carla served as National Certified Recruiter Trainer for the state of Utah from 2016 to 2018 and as the National Western Conference Chairman for the Scholarships Program from 2017 to 2018.

She joined on the eligibility of her father, Harry Creel, who served in the United States Air Force for 23 years and served in the Vietnam War.

Carla has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice and master's degree in criminal law from Weber State University. She retired from WCF Insurance after 22 ½ years of helping individuals who were injured on the job. Carla is a Lifetime Member of the Military Order of the Cootie (MOC), a Lifetime Member of the Fleet Reserve Association and is a Gold Legacy Life Member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW). She is retired from the United States Navy and spent 13 months in Korea.

Carla and her husband, Stanley (Utah's National Legislative Member (2021-2024)), have a son, daughter-in-law and four grandchildren. In her spare time, she likes to volunteer at the VA Hospital, recruit and mentor. She loves to bowl and swim.