Announced Candidate for Northeast Divisional Vice President 2023-2024



Patricia (Patty) Tucker was born in Arkansas, in Harrisburg, Arkansas and raised in Marked Tree, Arkansas. Patty met her future husband, Michael Tucker when she transferred to Lepanto High School in Lepanto, Arkansas. Patty and MSgt, Retired Michael met after a 30-year gap and married in 2005.

Patty has been a member of the American Legion since 2018. Her eligibility is through her husband, retired Air Force Master Sergeant Michael W. Tucker. She was first a member of Herman Davis Unit 197 where she served as President for 2 years. She became a Paid Up For Life member during this time. Patty transferred to the Crittenden County Unit 53 in West Memphis, Arkansas where has served as Unit Vice President since 2020.

Patty served as the District 5 Vice President from 2018 to 2021. She became the District 5 President due to health considerations of the former President in 2021 and was formally elected at the next District 5 quarterly meeting. She is still the District 5 President.

Patty served on the Department Education Committee in the 2021 – 2022 year and is serving on the Department Legislative Committee for the 2022 – 2023 year. She has served as the Department Page at the National Convention for 2 years and has also been the Presidential Page for the Department President for 2 years.

Patty is a graduate of Arkansas Northeast College, graduating with highest honors. While at the college she was a member of the Gamma Beta Phi Society, serving as President for the local chapter and Treasurer for the State chapter

Before college, Patty worked at American Greetings Corporation for over 20 years, retiring at the start of 2003. She worked for the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture from 2011 – 2020. She also worked for the US Census Bureau in 2010 and 2020. She further worked as a Substitute Teacher in various High Schools within Mississippi County. She has had extensive training in leadership, team work, and business management.

Patty's additional activities includes representing the Legion Auxiliary while working with the Northeast Arkansas Veterans Action Council. This is a support group of about 15 organizations that help Active Military, Veterans, and their families. Patty has also helped organize and worked several Veterans Outreach programs in Mississippi County. She also has many hobbies that occupy her days. Patty also works with different animal groups in the area as foster fur-parent.

She and Michael have 2 daughters (in Arkansas), 1 son (in Texas), 3 granddaughters, 4 grandsons, and 4 great-grandchildren (1 boy and 3 girls) who keep them on their toes. Patty has had family members in Military service in every conflict since the Revolutionary War when her 4th Great-Grandfather served at Valley Forge with General George Washington.