



## **Brenda Kinghorn**

***Candidate for Department of Arizona VFW Auxiliary  
Guard***

***2021-2022***



I am a lifetime auxiliary member of Wm Hamilton VFW Post Auxiliary 2364, Pinetop/Lakeside, where I am currently serving in the role of Treasurer.

I joined the VFW Auxiliary eight years ago under the eligibility of my oldest son, Richard. Richard is a retired Army Medic and served two tours in Operation Iraqi Freedom. He is married and has three daughters. My grandfather, William Brown, was Commander of Flagstaff VFW Post 1709 in 1955-1958 and in the Navy in WWII, 1943-1945. My father, brother and brother-in-law were stateside in the Army.

My wonderful and supportive husband Doug and I have two additional sons, Douglas Jr. (26) and Daniel (25), who is married and has a 7 month old son. I enjoy photography with a special interest in sharing the beauty of nature with friends thru social media.

Eight years ago, PDP Sharon Ashby Robinson, was looking for assistance on raising money for our Veteran Programs. As my husband and I were local association managers and youth bowling coaches, the first annual “Bowl of Vets” benefit was launched. I was so thrilled to be able to help with veteran causes that at the conclusion of the benefit, Sharon assisted me with the Auxiliary application and I was off and running! As soon as membership was opened to males, my husband Doug and our sons also joined.

Since joining I have been very active in projects for both our homeless “Blankets for Brian”, the Homeless Haircut Marathons, Bowling for Vets and many fundraisers and community events. Although Auxiliary 2364 has a small membership, we are big in heart and volunteering. It is not the size of membership that matters...it is the heart of each member that matters.

I am very grateful for the faith my fellow members have placed in me as their District 6 President. I am also honored that I have been able to serve as a Department chairman for various programs and am currently working hard to assist our auxiliaries with the Historian & Media Relations program.

***2019-2020 and 2020-2021  
2018-2019  
2019-2020  
2020-2021  
Life Member***

***District 6 President  
Dept. Hospital Chairman  
Dept. Scholarship Chairman  
Dept. Historian & Media Relations Chairman  
National Home for Children***

I am asking for your support and if elected, will continue to assist the Department of Arizona grow in awareness of what the VFW and Auxiliaries do for our Veterans, their families, and community education regarding suicide prevention and homelessness in our state. Every day is an opportunity....to learn from others...to share with others....to stand for our veterans.

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