

2024 – 2025 Celebrating Woman's History – Female Veterans History Project Dara Oliver

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In 1948 Legislation formally allowed woman into the Military. We have many Auxiliary members that have served our Country and what better way to celebrate them by telling their story. When an organization's history is told through the eyes of its membership, everyone learns a great deal more about who we are, what we do and why we matter.

Do you know a Female Veteran? Is she from your Unit or District? Complete a History project on that Special Member and submit it any time during the year. Questions that you can ask are: What branch of Service did you serve in? How long did you serve? Did you serve during conflict, if so what one? How did you overcome adversity in the Military? Tell us about your Military Career. What has been the greatest reward while being in the Military? Are you a member of the ALA or Legion? How long have you been a member? What Unit or Post did you begin your ALF career with and why? What was the highest Office that you served? What was the purpose or mission driven program that sparked your interest?

We will showcase it on our Department Facebook page at ALAFL History and possibly in the Department Newsletter: The Florida ToolBox. A certificate will be given for each submission. Junior members can also participate in this project.

- 1.) For electronic submissions, be sure to use letter size document. If a mailed entry, use plain, white paper, $8 \frac{1}{2} \times 11$ -inch paper*.
- 2.) Page Setup:
 - a.) Margins left and right margin should be 1.25 inches Top and bottom margins should be 1 inch.
 - b.) Spacing: Double-spaced with the exception of the Introductory pages (i.e. title page, forward or dedication, photograph of President, Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, National Anthem page and Preamble to the American Legion Auxiliary) These shall be centered in the middle of the page. Pages may be indented or in block form.
 - c.) Text: 12 Point font: Times New Roman or Arial style font.
- 3.) Attach a photo of your Female Veteran so we can add it to the Department Social Media pages and all media forums.

*Note: The National organization only accepts electronic submissions for these awards. Only electronic submissions will be considered for a National Award. A history may also be submitted via postal mail, if the Historian has submitted to the Department Historian by the deadline date. Entries will not be returned by mail, they will be brought to Convention unless the Historian has included a pre-paid return mailing label and return packaging. Any mailed entry must be a soft cover binder for loose-leaf paper, preferably blue with 2.5-inch gold foil American Legion Auxiliary seal centered on the cover or regulation binder with imprinted seal found in Emblem Sales.