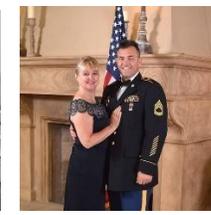


Biography of Eileen Williams



Growing up with my beloved Grandmother, Vera, I was taught how to sew doll clothes with a needle and thread at the age of 6. Using a sewing machine seemed so foreign to me in Home Economics class in the 7th grade. Soon after suggesting a simpler solution during class, I was sent to the Principal's Office. After the Principal rewarded me with a transfer to Woodshop class for being smarter than a 5th grader, I developed even more creative skills. Grandma Vera passed away as soon as I turned 18, at which time I completed Paralegal Certifications in Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties. Having big shoes to fill, I was raised in the way I should go.

My professional career in the legal arena led to significant accomplishments on the Marriott's Great America Theme Park Land Contract, Patents & Trademarks at Syntex USA/Roche Labs in the Emergency Legal Department resulting in Patent approval of the Naproxen Patent. My tenure included, but was not limited to, San Bruno City Hall, Insurance Defense, Family Law, Estate Planning, Corporate and civil Litigation, Wrongful Death, Personal Injury, Product Liability, and general law.

I was recruited to Ma Bell as HR/IT Distance Learning Project Manager right before the 911 Terrorist Attack in 2000. Following the grounding of all flights, I was promoted to IT Technical Architect leading a small team to implement Webcast Technology to provide live video training to over 300/000 AT&T Employees and Retirees across the USA, winning the coveted 1st ever AT&T University Virtual Management Award. I was an active member of the Women In Technology Institute; and became the Membership Director of the Women of AT&T Organization. San Ramon campus employees were given a choice to relocate from California to Texas or take the early retirement package, upon which time all 10,000 employees vacated the Campus and either relocated or accepted early retirement.

I have 3 grown children and 1 grandchild. My Husband, Brian Williams, is still serving in the US Army Reserves after 35 years of active/reserve duty, as well as a current civilian employee of the US Army for the past 20+ years. Even though he was hit with a 500lb IED, he is still serving. I support my Husband's musician aspirations, and he supports my fiber art endeavors. After surviving Stage 4 Cancer and 9 lifesaving surgeries, years of chemo, radiation, and procedures, I am now free of cancer as of November 2023! If God brings you to it, He will bring you through it! Can I get an AMEN

I am now thriving in Home Economics, although I am not very savvy at woodworking. I have a passion for machine embroidery digitizing, digitizing photos into embroidery, sewing apparel and home décor and travel bags, designing patterns and products, and restoring vintage Singer Featherweight Sewing Machines. I enjoy spending time traveling with my husband and friends, and time with our 2 Rottweilers, Celtic, Shamrock and our mini rottweiler (Chihuahua/Terrier) Clover, along with family and friends. They would be remiss if they didn't point out that I love my dogs more, but I reassure them, I love them all just the same.

I remain dedicated to making a positive impact with cancer patients and survivors, was a volunteer for the Palo Alto Blind Veterans Rehabilitation Center in Palo Alto, and as the Family Readiness Liaison at the US Army Camp Parks Unit. I serve on Oakdale Quilt Guild committees, teach Featherweight Maintenance and sewing classes, and help organize vendor events at Northern California Quilt Guilds. My Husband and I have since launched www.PhotographyFabric.com and invite you to participate in upcoming events, including Potluck **Sew**cial at our home in Oakdale, CA.