2022 NFDW AWARDS OUTSTANDING MEMBER OF THE YEAR

Jeanne Marszalek



NFDW members know Jeanne Marszalek as the History Committee Chair. Our documents are conserved at the Library of Congress because of Jeanne's leadership, skill set, and her commitment and determination to have our documents preserved. She understands the importance of safeguarding our history so that future leaders can look back at how NFDW organized and functioned as an organization representing all Democratic women. Here is what the Mississippi Federation of Democratic Women included when nominating Jeanne for this prestigious award:

Jeanne Marszalek is a current member of the Oktibbeha County Federation of Democratic Women Club in the State of Mississippi.

In upholding the National Federation of Democratic Women's (NFDW) objective, Ms. Marszalek has consistently demonstrated her desire to unite women of the Democratic Party. She was a 1990 founding member of the Oktibbeha County Federation of Democratic Women's Club and served as its president and treasurer for two terms. In addition, she served on the state level as treasurer, secretary, and Congressional District Director. Her work with the County Executive Committee includes serving as chair for 10 years, and she served on the State Democratic Party Executive Committee for several years.

On the national level, Ms. Marszalek attended the 1992 and 1996 National Conventions and served on the Resolutions Committee under the leadership of Dr. Corinne Anderson. She has chaired the History Committee since 2011 where she developed a state of the arts historical process to preserve NFDW's records in the Library of Congress.

Ms. Marszalek's interest in history has been her life's work where she served as a history research assistant to her husband Dr. John F. Marszalek. John's work included serving as a history professor at Mississippi State University (and other universities), where he became the William L. Giles Distinguished Professor in 1994. Over the course of his career, Dr. John F. Marszalek published more than three hundred articles and has written/edited thirteen books. Jeanne Marszalek served as a history research assistant to her husband and traveled extensively throughout the United States and abroad.