

Marlene O'Donnell has been a member for 45 years

Marlene O'Donnell – Marlene started O'Donnell Plastering in 1972 with her husband Chet. She joined NAWIC 5 years later in 1977. She helped run a successful company and was a NAWIC member all while raising her 5 kids. She has been on many committees and became chapter president in 1985-1986. She is always ready to volunteer when needed.

Mom – Words cannot express enough on how much you helped mold and inspire me each and every day! You have always been that strong, determined, curious, business women and I thank you for showing me and others the way! NAWIC has been a huge impact on our lives for so many years, and I'm glad we are on this journey together! Wow, 45 years of you breaking glass ceilings for other women to follow...I admire and love you so much! Thank you mum! XO – Shawna Alvarado

Marlene is a vital part of our chapter and has been forever!!! She and Chet were named Boss of the Year –and of course she was Woman of the Year and so forth. With her colorful and fancy hats, and her beautiful smile and giggle, Marlene delightfully brightened our NAWIC days. – Pat McDonald

Marlene makes me laugh even when she doesn't try. She is witty, sweet and she is a wonderful mother. Family is #1 and she honors that every day. – Judy Wagner

Marlene has been an inspiration to me. She is passionate about NAWIC. She is so fun to be around, her laughter is contagious. I have had the pleasure of traveling with her and her family for several NAWIC conferences over the past five years and we always have fun. I look forward to these events. – Laura Grabar