

I began teaching first grade at the High Plains School in Orange. After four years, my family moved to Long Island where I taught first grade for two more years until my triplet sons were born. We soon returned to Orange where I taught kindergarten and transitional at the Mary L. Tracy School. Third grade at Race Brook School has been my home now for many years. Third graders love learning, their teachers and their friends. My students succeed in a nurturing and caring environment. Teachers hold in their hands the destiny of each of their students. My objective is to help each student reach their highest potential.

Having earned a B.S. in Education, an M.S. and Sixth Year Degree in Reading, as well as certificates in Remedial Reading and Remedial Language Arts, they afford me the ability to meet the individual needs of each of my students. Professional growth is also very important. To that end, I have taught in the English and Reading Departments of the University of New Haven, and have served on many committees throughout my career to enhance the standards of our school district. Some of the committees include the Kindergarten Curriculum, Transitional, Staff Development, Language Arts, Science & Math, Personnel Policies and I have acted as the Grade Level chair. As a B.E.S.T. and T.E.A.M. trained mentor as well as a trained T.E.A.M paper Reviewer, I am working on the development and training of our future teachers.

The Veterans' Of Foreign Wars acknowledged my efforts in promoting Veterans awareness by naming me their Teacher of the Year and I was also included in the Who's Who Among America's Teacher's of the Year. One of my greatest joys has been serving as an advisor to the Student Council for the past 22 years. The students have learned about serving their community and that of civic responsibility. I am pleased and honored to be able to work with the entire Race Brook Community of parents, students, teachers and staff. Together, this community makes a positive difference in the lives of many people through their many acts of kindness.