

# Bonnie Carroll

## Personal Bio

**Bonnie Carroll** is a 2015 recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom. She is a military veteran who served extensively in the Middle East, the surviving spouse of the Brigadier General Tom Carroll, and the President and Founder of the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS), the leading national Military Service Organization providing compassionate care, casework assistance, and 24/7/365 emotional support for all those impacted by the death of a military loved one.

She continues to work with Iraqi surviving families facing traumatic loss and has expanded her work into Afghanistan. Before going to Iraq, Ms. Carroll was appointed to be the White House Liaison for the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) in Washington, D.C.

Ms. Carroll holds a degree in Public Administration & Political Science from American University and a degree in Equine Science from Springfield College. She completed Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government's Executive Leadership Program on International Conflict Resolution and is a graduate of several military service schools. She currently serves on the Board of the Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America and is the author of "Healing Your Grieving Heart After A Military Death."