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Mary Lou Rupp's life and career are rooted in commitment to her family and community.

A native of Heuvelton, in St. Lawrence County, Ms. Rupp graduated from Heuvelton Central School and SUNY Potsdam. She joined the St. Lawrence County Clerk's office in 2003, quickly rising through the ranks until her appointment as Deputy County Clerk. She became County Clerk in 2011, and later won election to that position by a wide margin.

As Clerk, Ms. Rupp continued the office's strong tradition of excellent customer service, growing the successful Motor Vehicles operation, which channels millions of dollars in non-tax revenue to help balance the county's budget and protect county residents from rising property taxes.

Ms. Rupp has worked hard to modernize the County Clerk's Office, introducing electronic recording, which gives banks, attorneys, title companies and others a paperless option to securely record documents.

In addition, Ms. Rupp developed a countywide Veterans' ID program, which provides valuable discounts from participating local businesses to men and women who served. She enthusiastically joined with Senator Patty Ritchie to honor and remember those still serving through her office's annual participation in the Senator's "Christmas Cards for Our Troops" program.

Ms. Rupp has used her office to encourage life-saving organ donation and to support community events such as the Ogdensburg Boys & Girls Club Expo, Senior Health and Wellness Fairs and "Lights on the River."

Prior to her public service, Ms. Rupp and her husband, William, owned and operated several successful restaurants, including a number of Jreck's Subs locations and Simply Sandwiches in Ogdensburg.

The couple are especially proud of their two daughters, Abbie and Kelsie, and two grandchildren.