

Diane Barney

505-301-1583

abqpickleballaccting@gmail.com

I was born in the Northern KY area and attended the Northern KY University and University of Cincinnati for graduate school. Go Bearcats! I graduated with an Engineering degree. My husband, Pat, and I started our own engineering business right out of college. That lasted several years until 1994 when we moved to Albuquerque, NM. It was meant to be a 2-year commitment for him with Sandia National Labs as post-doctorate work. It's been nearly 30 years and NM is home. We have one daughter, Rebecca, who lives in Boston and loves to come back as often as possible.

While in NM, I taught some math courses at UNM and decided to finish some accounting/finance coursework. I took the NM CPA exam and in 2006 became a licensed CPA under the NM Board of Accountancy. I've worked for several companies, as an accountant, finance director and auditor. It was in 2011, that I switch back into engineering and I started to work for Sandia National Labs along with my husband. My last venture with Sandia was working with the Navy as a DoD civilian in Washington DC. This is where I was introduced to pickleball. Every Sat morning, near the US Capitol, I would watch a group of ladies play this game. One morning I asked what it was, and they kindly offered to let me join them. Since this time in 2021, I have played pickleball. When I finished working in DC, I quickly learned about the Manzano Mesa courts and found the outdoor courts are my preferred pickleball venue.

I retired in Dec of 2021, and decided to put more effort into giving back to the community for things I enjoy in life. I'm volunteering on the Executive Team as Treasurer. I'm glad to have the opportunity to serve on the Executive Team and use my accounting background for this purpose. Happy playing and hope to see you on the courts!