

Jeffrey Merrill was president of the Derby-Shelton Rotary Club during the 1998-1999 year. He was born in 1957 Hempstead NY and was lived in New York until moving to Scottsdale, Arizona in 1970 where he graduated from Scottsdale High School and attended Scottsdale Community College before moving to Trumbull in 1978 where he worked for the Town of Trumbull Highway Department and attended Housatonic Community College.

In 1980 he moved to Shelton and married Susan Francis Russell. He worked at the family business, Russell Linen Supply and then started Jeff's Appliance Sales and Service. He was also active in the community where he coached at Shelton Little League for 2 years. He also served on the board of the Shelton Parking Authority and the Shelton Downtown Business Association. The Business Association ran the annual Shelton Day event which they eventually turned over to Rotary Club and has become one of the most successful Rotary events.

Jeff served as president for 18 months as he took over when Frank Madar became ill and then served his full term in 1998-1999. Among the many things accomplished during his tenure, highlights included giving the Boys & Girls club new mats for their programs and installing the new "Welcome to Shelton" signs that serve as gateways to the city.

In 2000, he began a second career with SEBO America LLC. as a sales rep in New England and in 2015 he sold Jeff's Appliance and Vacuums to his long-term employees.

Jeff and Sue have two wonderful Children Andrew 29 and Kimberley 32. They split their time between the two states that are dear to their hearts - Connecticut and Arizona. Wherever he is, he thinks that it is truly a honor to be with so many who believe in "Service above Self"