

QUILT FIFTEEN
THREADS
OF LIFE
QUILT



2013





THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
ROGER COREY BRUSH PRAIRIE
VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON
DONOR

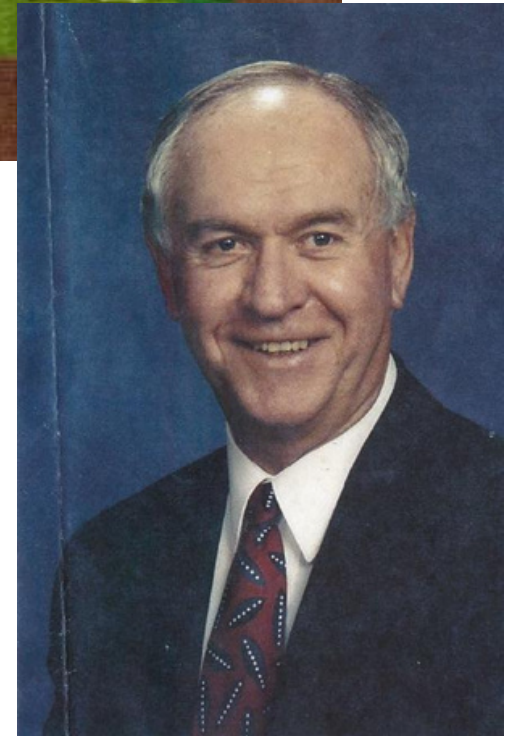
Tissue Donor March 26, 1940 - November 18, 2012

Roger was born on March 26, 1940, in Ellensburg, WA. He graduated from Ellensburg High School in 1958. In 1961, he joined the Air Force, spending four years as a jet engine mechanic, followed by one year at Boeing. He then went on to work in manufactured housing finance at G.E. Credit Corporation where he met his wife of 38 years, Diana. He was a wonderful father to two children, Tracie Lee and Bryan Corey. Roger was an avid golfer and loved spending time with family and friends. He was very involved in Hockinson Community Church in Brush Prairie, WA where he served as an elder. He was a very loving, honest, devoted, Godly man that had a way of making everyone feel loved and welcome.



Quilt Square Designer:
Jessica Corey, Wife

Quilt 15, Block A1



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
CELEBRATING
DUANE ANDERSON PEERLESS
MONTANA
KIDNEY RECIPIENT

November 1, 2012

This square honors Duane E. Anderson. He received a kidney transplant on November 1, 2012. The quilt square design represents Duane's love of country and his pride in serving. The horse and wheat represent his life as a cowboy living off the land, raising wheat and livestock. Jeanne Anderson wrote, "The quilt square designers are Char, an extremely special angel in our lives, Sarah, our daughter, and Jeanne, Duane's wife. Sarah drew the horse, Char appliquéd the flag and horse, and Sharon H., a family friend, embroidered the wheat. All donating their time and talent!" Duane & Jeanne have been married 25 years and have four wonderful children: Ethan, 13, Sarah, 11, Emily, 9, and Katie Grace, 7.



Quilt Square Designers: Jeanne
Anderson, wife, Sarah, daughter, and
Char, friend

Quilt 15, Block A2

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DUANE ANDERSON PEERLESS
MONTANA
KIDNEY RECIPIENT

They live a great life in rural America where they are able to raise their children in a way of life most people only dream of. Duane was told in 1997 he had kidney disease and would be needing a kidney transplant, eventually, and the family's journey began! Duane and his family are extremely grateful to the donor family for the priceless gift.

The donor family's consent to donation gave Duane and his family a precious second chance and it will not be wasted! Duane and his family encourage everyone to make the choice that their donor family did and make their loved ones aware of their desire to give the gift of organ donation, putting the 'D' on their drivers license.

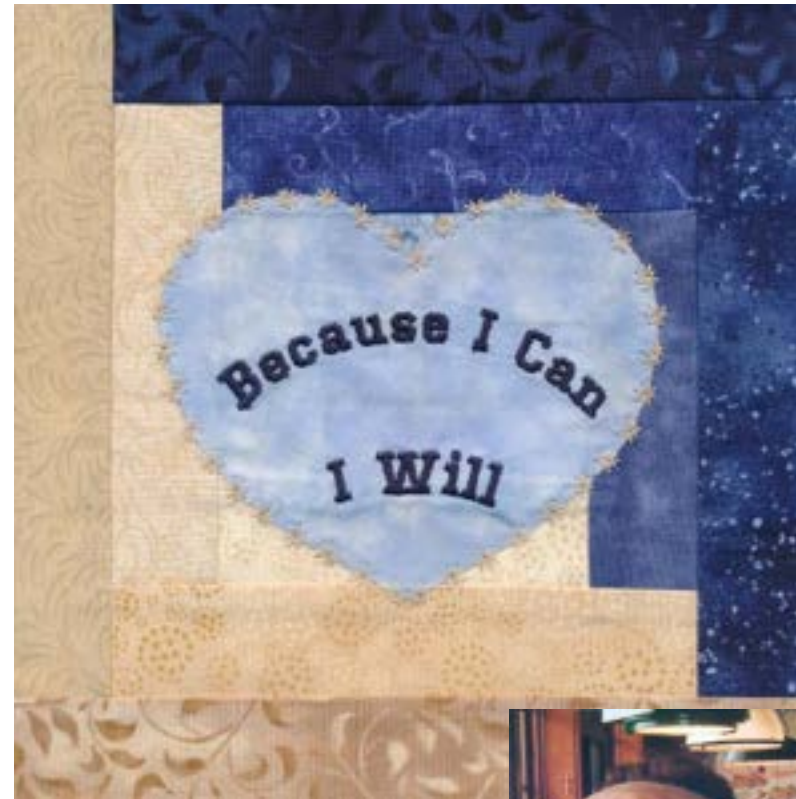
It truly is a selfless gift of life!



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
JAMES 'LENNY' HUBBARD
MEDFORD, OREGON

Tissue Donor January 2012

His friends and family called him Lenny. James was just too formal for him. He knew no strangers and was always willing to lend a handshake and a helping hand. His family came first. If you saw Lenny, you saw his wife and children. They were a package deal. He loved all animals and loved taking pictures of them. He often took pictures of part of the herd of 15 deer that lives on his property or took a trip to the Klamath Falls area and shot photos of the migration of eagles. Lenny was also hooked on auto racing. Not only did he love it in his younger years, but he went on to become the oldest go-cart driver in the cart association. He drove for over 15 years. He always wore a handle bar mustache...said he had to grow hair where he could. The Log Cabin style quilt block was chosen because Lenny always wore western clothing. The motto embroidered on the quilt was a life message that Lenny carried in his heart. Growing up without much family support, he found personal strength within himself. He lived his life with the belief, "Because I can, I will."



Quilt Square Designer:
Debbie Gibson

Quilt 15, Block A3

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
CELEBRATING
MARVA DAWN
VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON
RECIPIENT

June 21, 2005

Marva Dawn (Ph.D., University of Notre Dame) is a theologian, author, and educator with the Christians Equipped for Ministry of Vancouver, WA. She is a teaching fellow in spiritual theology at Regent College in Vancouver, British Columbia and the author of more than twenty books. Connie Johnson writes, "I was the lucky person who could donate a kidney for Marva so that her amazing work could continue. This was a life-changing event for both of us."

Quilt Square Designer:
Connie Johnson, Donor

Quilt 15 , Block A4



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
MARK GENDE
BEAVERTON, OREGON
DONOR

August 2011

Mark Gende was born in January 1960, the youngest of 6 children; he grew up and lived in the Portland Oregon metro area. Mark met his future wife Gina; they were married in August 1987. They have two children, Deanna and Scott. Mark was the kind of father that was involved in every aspect of his kid's lives. The tropical print on the square represents the happiness that his family brought him, trips to Hawaii with Gina for their honeymoon and later as a whole family. He had the passion and skill to build or fix almost anything. The green squares on the corners represent that passion.

Quilt Square Designers: Gina
Gende, Wife, and Donna
Randall, Sister

Quilt 15 ,Block A5



Mark rebuilt a 1931 Ford Model A, which he took great pride in. That inquisitive mind led Mark to work in the Electronics field, from building and maintaining clean rooms or modernizing process equipment. He had the motto of not stopping until the job was 110% done, and idea he passed on to his kids. From a young age Mark found joy in helping others, so when posed with the option of being an organ donor, it was given. Mark, Gina and the kids had a wonderful day celebrating their 24th wedding anniversary, but the next day the unthinkable happened; Mark died from a massive heart attack. While his family will always miss Mark's smiling face, his willingness to help others through the donation of his eye's and tissue helped others to see and feel his passion for life.

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
DAVID LEE BATEHAM
JACKSONVILLE, OREGON
DONOR

December 10, 2011

Lois Bateham writes:

“Memories Patch A Mother’s Heart’ is the quilt square I created to honor my son, David Lee Bateham, who died and donated on December 10, 2011. The picture collage depicts many parts of his life and these memories have been a comfort to me: My little cowboy, Daddy’s boy, little brother who finally grew taller than older sister. The schoolboy who talked non-stop while eating that after school snack, sharing all the events of his day, even in his high school years. The first exciting year of college and being away from home. His Air Force years with letters and calls from all over the country, and Iceland. Back to college and the volleyball player A loving husband and daddy A supportive son to me when his father died Our weekly phone talks sharing a joke, good book to read, and what was happening in our lives. I feel blessed that he not only lives on in my heart, but in those who received his organs through the donor program.”



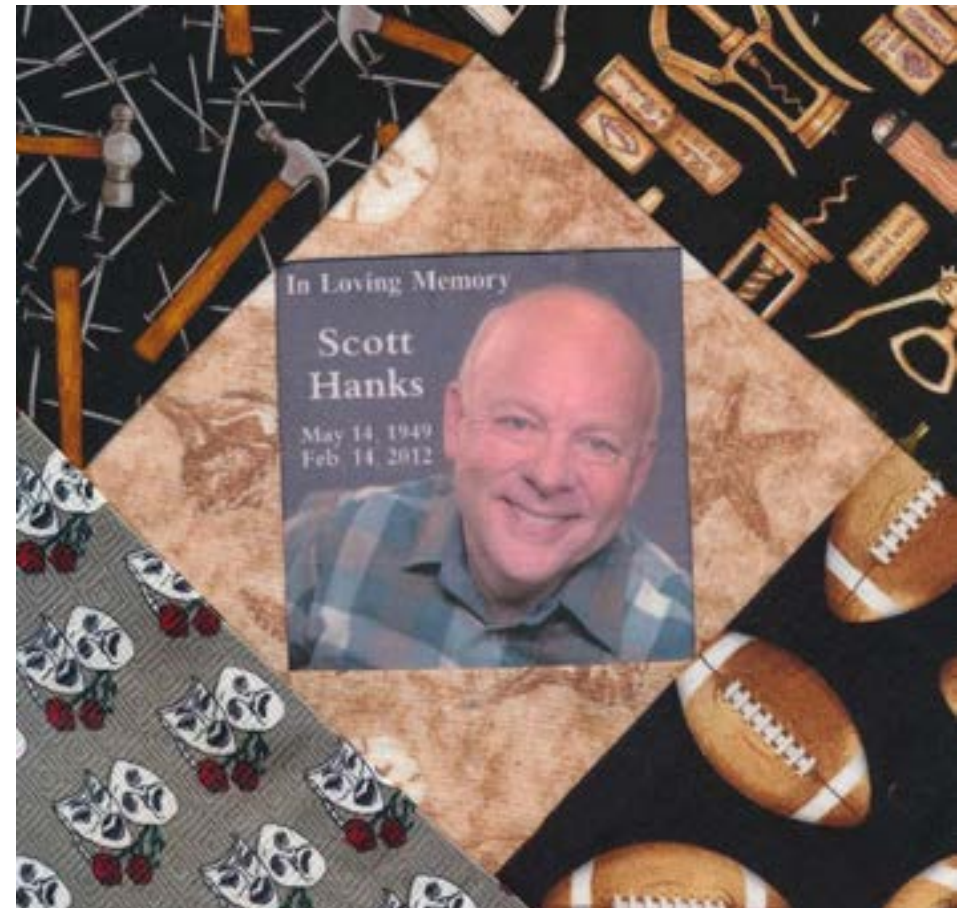
Quilt Square
Designer:
Lois
Bateham,
mother

Quilt 15 ,
Block B1



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
SCOTT HANKS MUSKEGO,
WISCONSIN
DONOR

Nancy Hanks writes: “This quilt square was created to remember my husband, a caring, gentle man whose last gift was the gift of eyesight to two people as well as a tissue donation to someone in need. The center of the square has a picture of my husband and around the picture is some beach fabric. Scott loved being near the ocean and we enjoyed many wonderful days at our beach house in Seaside, OR. It is there that he suddenly died on February 14th, 2012. The four outside corners of the quilt have fabric representing some of his interests and things he enjoyed. He loved fixing things for our own home, for others and for volunteer organizations. That is represented by the hammer and nails. He also loved to watch football, especially the Minnesota Vikings and the Notre Dame team. The drama fabric represents his love of theatre which he participated in as an actor in dramas and television ads and as a director for church dramas. The fourth fabric represents his love of wine. He enjoyed drinking chardonnay but loved serving others the wine of their choice.”



Quilt Square Designer: Nancy
Hanks, wife

Quilt 15, Block B2

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
SCOTT HANKS MUSKEGO,
WISCONSIN
DONOR

Scott Hanks was born in St. Paul Minnesota and attended Minneapolis Lutheran High School where he met his future wife, Nancy. He served in the US Army from 1969 to 1971 and was stationed in Darmstadt, Germany. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin at Eau Claire with a degree in business in 1974.

He worked for Kraft Foods and retired in 2003 as a director of purchasing. He was a loving husband, father of three, and grandfather (known as Bubba) to 8. He loved to spend time with his family and he also loved to travel. He enjoyed exploring National Parks in an RV and visiting other countries usually from the comfort of a cruise ship. But his greatest joy came in helping others.

He was a valued volunteer at the local food pantry and helped out with repairs at a woman's shelter. After retirement, he enjoyed helping his children with many house projects and was always willing to help out and give advice when asked for.

Many young people have benefited from his listening ear and caring heart. He will be greatly missed

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
CELEBRATING
LANN TORGERSON
LIVING KIDNEY DONOR
&
TOM ZYP
KIDNEY RECIPIENT
HILLSBORO, OREGON

July 22, 2002

I knew in 1999 that I was on the way to kidney transplantation. I had been diabetic since age twelve and was now 53. My wife Jan was a blood type match and for three years we had planned on her being my donor. As transplant time approached we were told that Jan could not donate due to a bout with hepatitis 25 years earlier. A new bridge that had to be crossed. We had no idea how to approach this new hurdle. Jan related this to her teaching partner Ann Torgerson. Without hesitation, Ann said, "I'll give Tom a kidney."



Quilt Square Designer:
Jan Zyp, wife of recipient
Submitted by: Tom Zyp

Quilt 15, Block B3

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HILLSBORO, OREGON

After talking this over with her family and finding out that she was a suitable match, July 22, 2002, became the date. All went well. Ann still gives me a bad time because I got to eat solid food before she did. Her husband JV and I are now golfing buddies and we have gone to dinner every Friday night since. In an instant, Ann went from being a great family friend to a lifesaver. She constantly spreads the word about organ donation and has been the leader in putting together many "Donate Life" quilts. Forever grateful, Tom Zyp



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
JAMES KARLAS
CENTRAL POINT, OREGON
DONOR

May 1, 1932 – August 31, 2012

James Karlas was born in Newark, NJ on May 1st , 1932. James was the loving father of two sons, John & James Jr., and husband to his wife, Annette. He also had three grandsons, Luke, Nicholas & Christopher. They all miss him very much. James loved going to the coast during the summer. Camping and fishing were great fun for him. He enjoyed family gatherings and an occasional trip to Reno where his son John & John's wife Sherry live. He and his wife had fun playing the slots together. His beloved wife Annette will forever love and miss him.

Quilt Square Designer:
Annette Karlas, wife

Quilt 15 , Block B4



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
STEVEN WRIGHT
WHITE CITY, OREGON
DONOR

Michele Wright writes, “My husband Steven Wright passed away last May. It was a shock. When I got a call from the tissue and organ donations representative, I, at first, said no. I did tell him he could call later.

Then, I remembered that in the hospital a physical therapist asked my husband if he had children. He answered that he had none of his own. The therapist replied, “Too bad you couldn’t have passed those beautiful eyes on.” So when I got a call back, I said yes. Tissue, cartilage, heart valves, skin and veins were donated. This was very hard but I feel better knowing my husband may have helped someone through these gifts. I know he would have OK’d my decision. He was a good man, God’s man. He drove trucks most of his life. Reddaway was the company he retired from. My square had to have a truck



Quilt Square
Designer: Michele
Wright, wife

Quilt 15, Block B5



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT HONORING ORGAN DONATION AWARENESS

The green ribbon is an international symbol of support for organ, eye, and tissue donation and transplantation.

Although the green ribbon is used less often by transplant centers and donation supporters, it is an important symbol that reminds those who see to:

Say yes to donation! Register!

Designed and submitted
anonymously

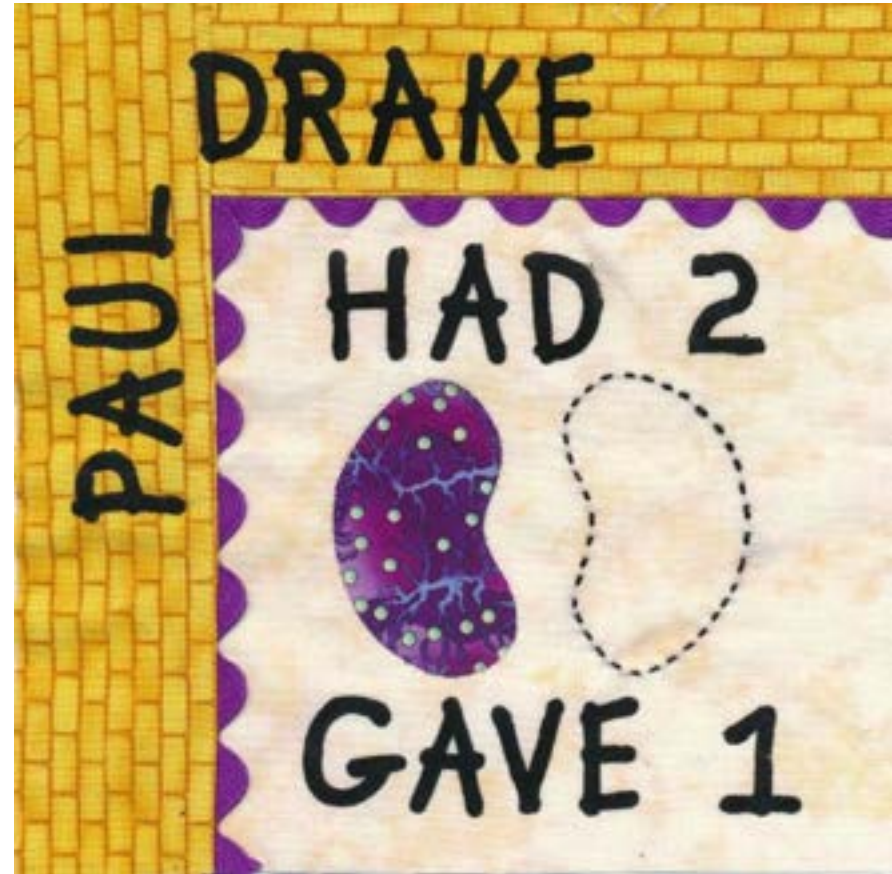
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THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
CELEBRATING
PAUL DRAKE
SISTERS, OREGON
LIVING DONOR

October 2, 2012

This quilt square was designed by Diane Tolzman and made in honor of her husband Paul Drake who donated a kidney to her best friend Ena Johansson. Diane writes, “The square has some of the fabric I used in making a “Follow The Yellow Brick Road” raffle quilt for that raised \$13,928 for Ena’s transplant and came to represent her journey towards a kidney transplant. The words on the quilt block simply represent how Paul viewed donating a kidney to a friend in need. The kidney donation and transplant occurred on October 2, 2012 at Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane, WA. When Paul found out my best friend Ena Johansson didn’t have a living kidney donor and was likely to be on the waiting list for 3-5 years, his first thought was “I have two kidneys so I wonder if I could donate one to her.” He found out they were compatible and by nothing short of a miracle he was a 50% genetic match with Ena! Even though they were not related, they had a match as good as brother and sister!



Quilt Square Designer: Diane
Tolzman, wife

Quilt 15 , Block C2

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
CELEBRATING
PAUL DRAKE
SISTERS, OREGON
LIVING DONOR

I am in awe of Paul's selfless act to help Ena in her time of need. This is a man who truly lives his life based on his values and this is just one of many examples of how he puts the needs of others above his own with nothing expected in return. Paul's donation is truly above and beyond what many people would consider doing for a friend in need. In donating his kidney, Paul not only helped Ena "Follow the Yellow Brick Road" to a healthy life but he also helped someone else on the waiting list who got the kidney Ena would have received. He also has made a difference for Ena's daughters, her husband, family, and many friends who are happy to have the Ena they know and love continue to be in their lives. Thank you Paul for your generosity and for being the best husband in the world! You are my hero!"



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HAYDEN, IDAHO

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Quilt Square Designer: Diane
Tolzman, friend and wife of
donor

Quilt 15 , Block C3

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
CELEBRATING
ENA JOHANSSON
HAYDEN, IDAHO

Ena's dream was realized when my husband Paul came forward as a kidney donor and was a 50% genetic match with her! There was still one hurdle before the transplant could happen - she needed to have enough money to cover out of pocket expenses for the surgery and the first year post-transplant. Family and friends rallied around her and raised \$27,000 in 3 weeks! There were two raffle quilts, garage sales organized by her sister Cheryl, friends Amy and Marlys and her 8 year old granddaughter Kyle. Donations small and large were made by those who heard her story and wanted to make a difference in Ena's life.

Ena has always been there for me over the years and I was honored to be a part of making her dream come true of receiving a kidney transplant from my husband.

Ena is now making the most of her new life and is an inspiration to all on how to face adversity and maintain hope.

Ena is my hero!"



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT CELEBRATING **CELIA HINKLE** RECIPIENT

September 29, 2003

This quilt square is designed to honor:

1. The unknown woman whose precious gift of a kidney gave Celia Hinkle back her health on September 29, 2003.
2. The importance of family in Celia's life: husband Chuck, son William, daughter Michelle, and three precious grandchildren, Ariana, Nate and Lily.

The bouquet of flowers represents the fact that hard times make us grow.

- Yellow represents daily gratitude and joy for this generous gift.
- Red represents life-saving transplant.
- Gray represents another family's sorrow in losing a loved one. Green represents hope for the future, as do the photos of Celia's three grandchildren.



Quilt Square Designer: Sue
Scott, sister-in-law

Quilt 15 , Block C4

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT CELEBRATING **CELIA HINKLE** RECIPIENT

Celia's advanced kidney disease (etiology unknown) required dialysis, a heavily restricted diet and constant attention to a schedule to maintain health. For example, when she wanted to attend her daughter's wedding on the east coast, she had to make arrangements to get dialysis at a health center there, was unavailable for a transplant that week, and she had to deal with fatigue even though she was very excited to attend wedding events. After her transplant, Celia can eat what she wants, go where she wants, and do what she wants. What she wants is to spend time with family, both the west coasters and the east coasters. Three grandchildren enjoy a loving grandmother because of another's gift even in the midst of sorrow. Celia never forgets this gift, prays daily for her donor and for all who have supported her, and lives in gratitude to God and the donor.



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
SUSAN RADER
BEAVERTON, OREGON
DONOR

April 2012

Susan Rader was born in 1954 in California and grew up in Mariposa, near Yosemite National Park. She later made her home in Oregon where she passed away on April 25, 2012, after a four year battle with Sarcoma. At the Beaverton Oregon Farmers Market, she was fondly known to all as the “Lamb Lady” for many years, and was one of their founding members. She had a wide circle of friends and among her favorite things to do was to sit at a penny-slot machine for hours, or meet her friends for dinner and drinks. Susan’s favorite saying was, “The world is full of people who will go their whole lives and not actually live one day. She did not intend to be one of them.” Her friends and family were not surprised that she donated her eyes and her gift gave a sense of comfort to her passing.



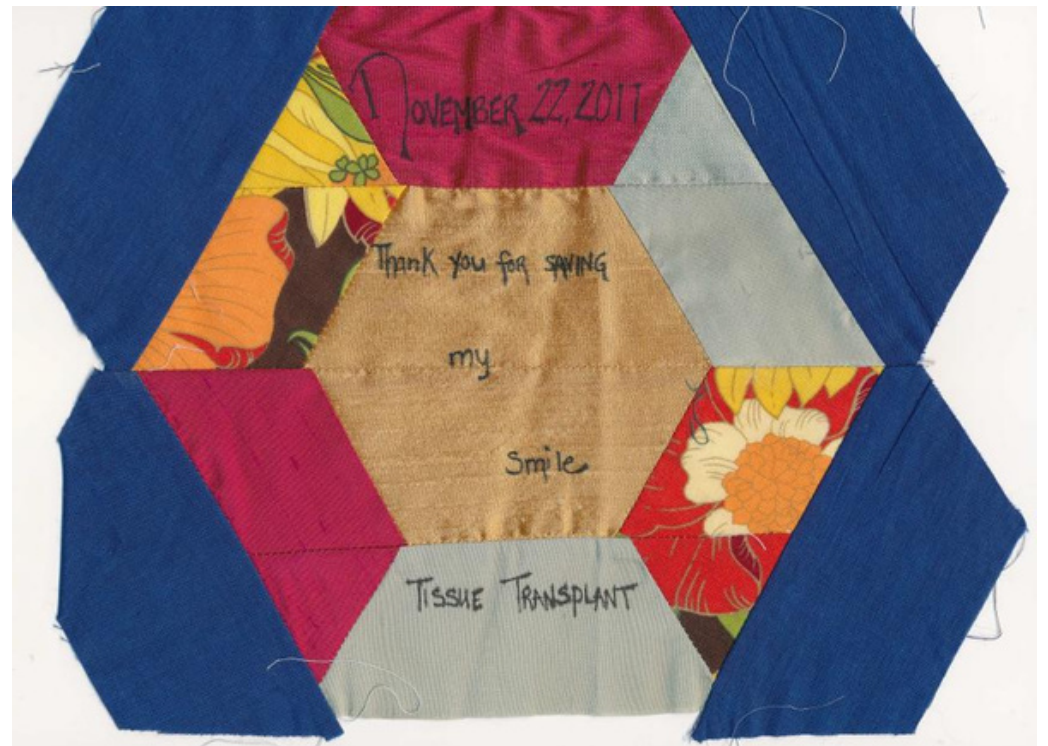
Quilt Square Designer: Paula
Hoagland

Quilt 15 – Block C5

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
REBECCA SIMON'S
ANONYMOUS DONOR
PORTLAND, OREGON

November 22, 2011

Rebecca Simon writes, "I had surgery to remove a cancerous mass. It required the entire removal of tissue from the inside of my cheek. Because of the gift of tissue from an anonymous donor, my recovery was faster and mobility was restored. Thank you to the person out there who said yes to donation. Thank you for saving my smile."



Quilt Square Designer:
Rebecca Simon, tissue
recipient

Quilt 15 , Block D1

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
BOBBY L. OLIVE
DONOR
WESLEY MERRITT
RECIPIENT
MARTHA VANARSDALE
MOTHER
PORTLAND, OREGON

This is the story of one heart, two men, and a mother. Bobby's mother Martha gave Bobby's heart to Wes. This gift resulted in Bobby being the first heart donor in Oregon. That heartbeat went on for five additional years. Martha was definitely a giver. Martha lost her battle with Alzheimer's on January 16, 2012. All three are greatly missed.

Quilt Square Designer:
Balinda Olive-Beltran, sister
to Bobby; daughter of Martha

Quilt 15 , Block D2



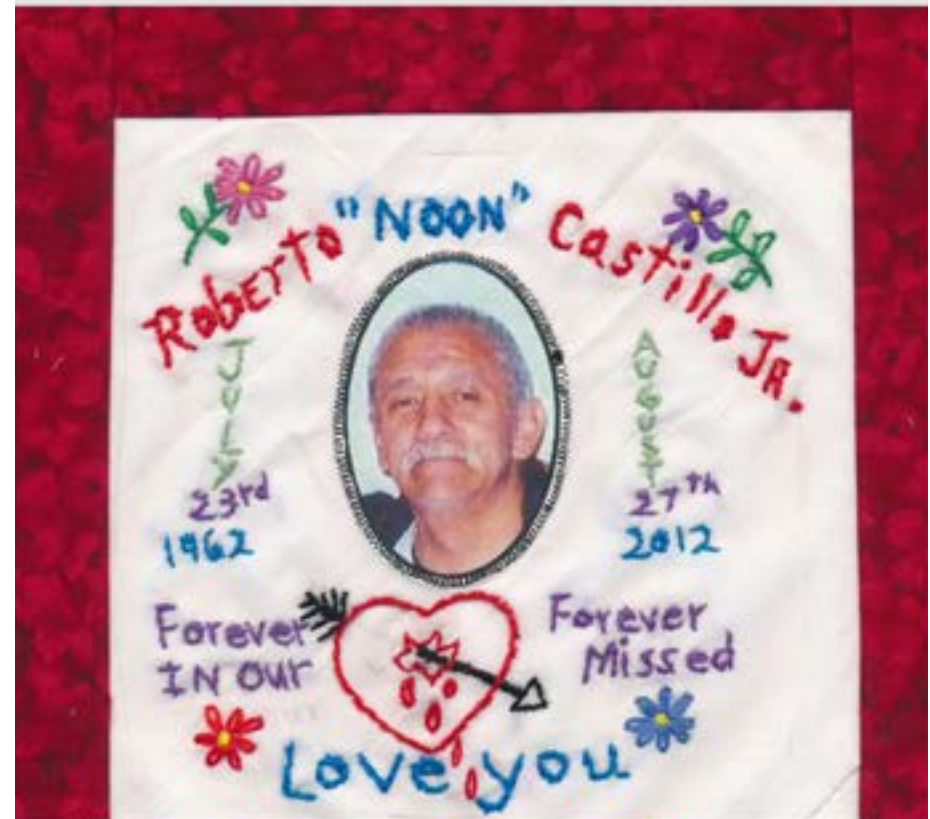
August 27, 2012

Rebecca Alonzo, Roberto's mother, designed and created this square to represent how much she loves and misses her son. She had to really work to remember how to embroider again. Roberto was a good gentle soul and wouldn't harm a fly. He had a great sense of humor and was always joking and laughing. He was a wonderful father, son, brother and uncle. Also, he was a hard worker who never missed a day; when he didn't have a car or he rode his bike up to 7 miles one way to and from his job where he worked nightshift—no matter the weather. He leaves behind three sons, Nick, Robert, and Carlos, their mother, Kimberly Juarez, all from Sheridan; mother, Rebecca Alonzo, McMinnville; a brother, Abel Thom Jimenez, Lafayette; two sisters, Angie Nicholson, McMinnville and Nina Castillo Romero, Duncan, OK; plus 11 nephews and one niece. Rebecca Alonzo writes,

“GOD always knows what he is doing, as this was the perfect time for him to get close to his boys & for them to get to know the wonderful man & father he was! I will always thank the GOOD Lord for giving him that opportunity before he passed! We, his family are so grateful that someone has sight due to his donation!

GOD BLESS YOU ALL!”

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HONORING
ROBERTO 'NOON' CASTILLO
MCMINNVILLE, OREGON
DONOR



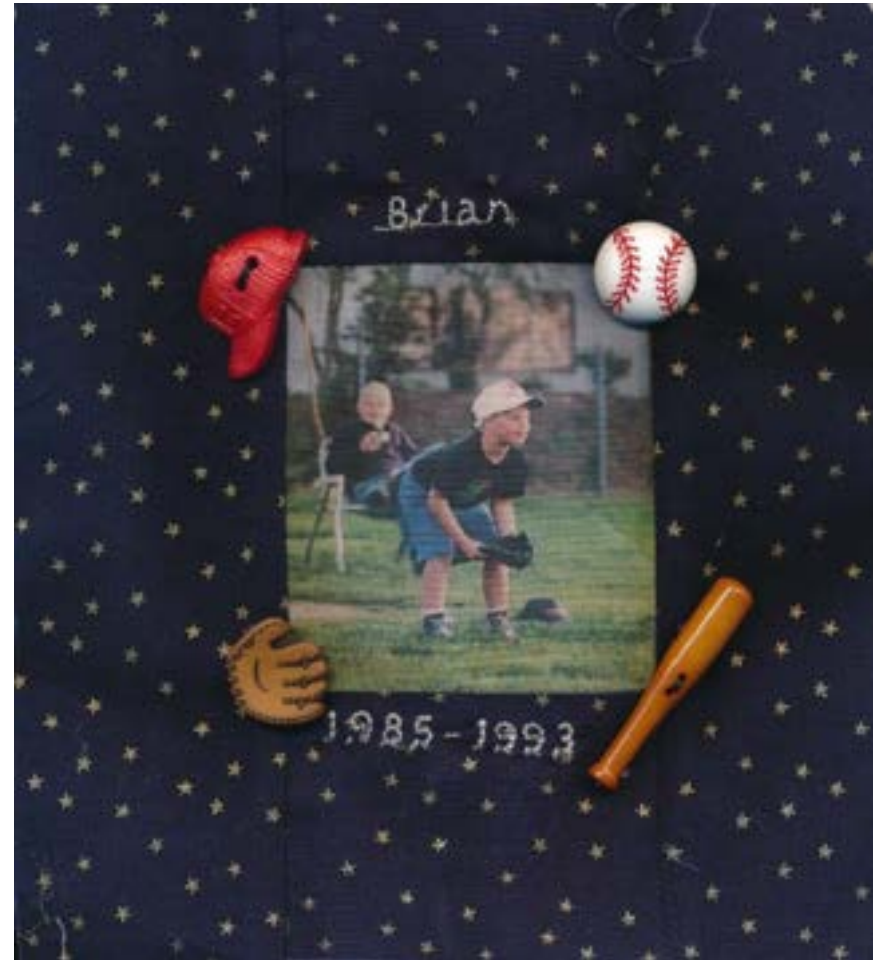
Quilt Square Designer:
Rebecca Alonzo

Quilt 15 – Block D3

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
BRIAN COEFIELD
PORTLAND, OREGON
DONOR

1985 - 1993

Leslie Coefield writes, "This picture is so "Brian". It was taken during one of his first TBall practices (with my Dad, his Papa in the background!) Brian loved baseball, he would play any chance he got...showing real talent early on, he was so excited about the game. Sadly, Brian was only able to be on the team for one season. He died in a tragic accident on February 18, 1993 at the age of 7. I am grateful for the seven years we had together, such a wonderful and adorable son. I am also grateful for Brian's generosity; he was a cornea and tissue donor. He will be forever missed and I will always remember him with a smile."



Quilt Designer:
Leslie Coefield

Quilt 15 ,Block D4

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
CELEBRATING
CARLA CULLEY
PORTLAND, OREGON
RECIPIENT

June 27, 1995

Carla had her transplant a year after graduating from the University of Montana. Not one to be idle, she continued to work for AmeriCorps, United Way, Billings, MT., and the University of Montana, Missoula, MT for 2 years following her transplant. She then enrolled at San Diego State University where she completed her Masters Degree in Public Health. Carla moved to Portland, Oregon where she worked at OHSU as a Research Coordinator. Currently, she is a Grant Writer for Clackamas Middle College in Portland. Carla loves life and with her husband, Brian, has traveled to Europe several times and travels within the U.S. and Mexico often. She enjoys taking her dogs for a run or to the mountains to play. What is most admirable about Carla is how she handled her transplant. She takes her medication faithfully and has not let her medical problems rule her life.



Quilt Square Designer: Cheryl Canfield,
donor, and mother

Quilt 15 , Block D5

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
CELEBRATING
CARLA CULLEY
PORTLAND, OREGON
RECIPIENT

She lives life with courage and laughter. In 1995 doctors didn't know for certain how long a transplanted kidney would last. Carla celebrated her 17th year transplant anniversary last June. Carla loves Labradors. She has two, Milik and Lloyd.

This square represents her caring nature and love of animals. Like the Lab, Carla has a strong sense of devotion, is intelligent, and most of all has an inner strength and courage that is to be admired. The stars in the background represent hope for the future.

The square was designed and completed by Carla's mother, Cheryl Canfield, who was the donor for her transplant.



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
PAT PETISCE JR.
VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON
DONOR

May 2012

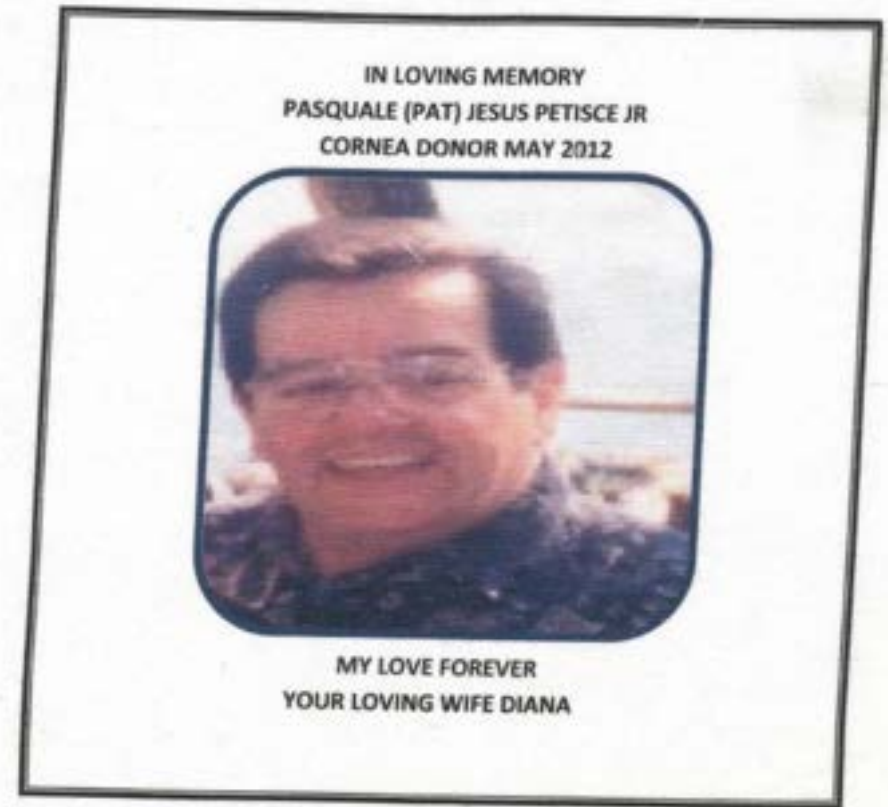
Pat served in the U.S. Army from 1963 to 1965 and Army National Guard from 1960 to 1963. His education was in architectural drafting and blueprint reading but his passion for almost 40 years was building from the ground up and seeing the blueprints as a finished project.

As a supervisor/superintendent, he enjoyed teaching beginners, as well as experienced construction workers, new techniques. Pat loved to cook; he enjoyed teaching his children and grandchildren his new recipes. His family loved eating just about everything he made.

He also enjoyed cooking for the residents at the senior housing where he lived. He enjoyed many things in life, such as music, dancing, golf sports, fishing, and above all, family. His favorite saying was,

“Baby, we have a good life, what a country.”

This quilt square is made for him in memory of a very loving husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, and brother/father-in-law. His family misses his wonderful sense of humor, laughter, hugs, and kisses. He gave so much from his heart. Pat is so loved by all of us.



Quilt Square Designer: Diana
Petisce, Wife

Quilt 15 – Block E1

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
CELEBRATING
RODNEY FOSBACK
EUGENE, OREGON
RECIPIENT

1st Transplant – November 6, 2009
2nd Transplant – February 15, 2010

Rod was born in Springfield Oregon on a cool day in November. Rod is the second of four children born to Harold and Lucille Fosback. His brothers are Darrell and Terry and sister is Sandy. Rod graduated from Henry D. Sheldon High School in Eugene, Oregon, where he swam and played water polo. Rod served in the US Navy from November 1980 to January 1993.

His time in the service was a great learning experience and allowed him to see many places and cultures. It is also where he contracted the disease that would lead to his need for a liver transplant.

Rod used his training and experience in electronic by going back to school and obtaining his Journeyman and Supervising Electrician License. While in the Navy Rod met and married his wife Jackie.

He is also the father to four wonderful young men. In his free time Rod was a Boy Scout leader, participating in many camping adventures with the boys.



Quilt Square Designer: Jackie
Fosback, Wife

Quilt 15 – Block E2

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
CELEBRATING
RODNEY FOSBACK
EUGENE, OREGON
RECIPIENT

He is also an avid hunter and fisherman. He especially enjoys every chance he gets to spend time with his boys. Today Rod recognized that the great gifts he has been given are gifts from God.

He is thankful that he has been given the chance to impact the life of others in a positive manner through his sharing of his transplant story and all that were involved. Thanks to the VA Rod has a new life.

The picture on the quilt square depicts Rod standing next to an oversized depiction of a Chinook salmon on a trip to Alaska after his transplants. The picture of the young man was supplied by his mother, and is the donor of Rod's second transplant.

The unknown fisherman depicts the unknown donor of Rod's first transplan



November 20, 2010

Wife, mother, nurse, hospital administrator, friend, heart transplant recipient – these are words often used to describe Susan, but they don't adequately tell you who she is. She can work wonders in the kitchen, creating a meal fit for royalty with disarming ease. She brings people together around a table, people who often become fast friends though they previously did not know one another. Equally comfortable living on either U.S. coast (thus the theme for her quilt square), Susan maintains deep friendships from her time in New England, New York, and Oregon. Distance has never been a barrier for Susan, known for hopping on a plane to help support a friend or join a celebration on the other coast, she cares deeply about those in her life and finds just the right gift to celebrate a special occasion – be it a birthday, Christmas, or the anniversary of a friendship. An avid reader and movie enthusiast, Susan also is a budding screen writer, uncovering a wonderful talent for writing and drawing people into a story with humor and poignancy. As a nurse and hospital administrator, Susan helped families through the difficult discussion of organ donation. Just as her brother passed away waiting for a heart transplant, Susan was diagnosed with the same genetic disease. Her courage, strength, and positive attitude while awaiting her own transplant and now living each day with gratitude and determination inspire all those she comes in contact with.

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
SUSAN HASSETT
LAKE OSWEGO, OREGON
RECIPIENT



Quilt Square Designer:
Kathryn Hill & Judith Trujillo,
friends

Quilt 15 – Block E3

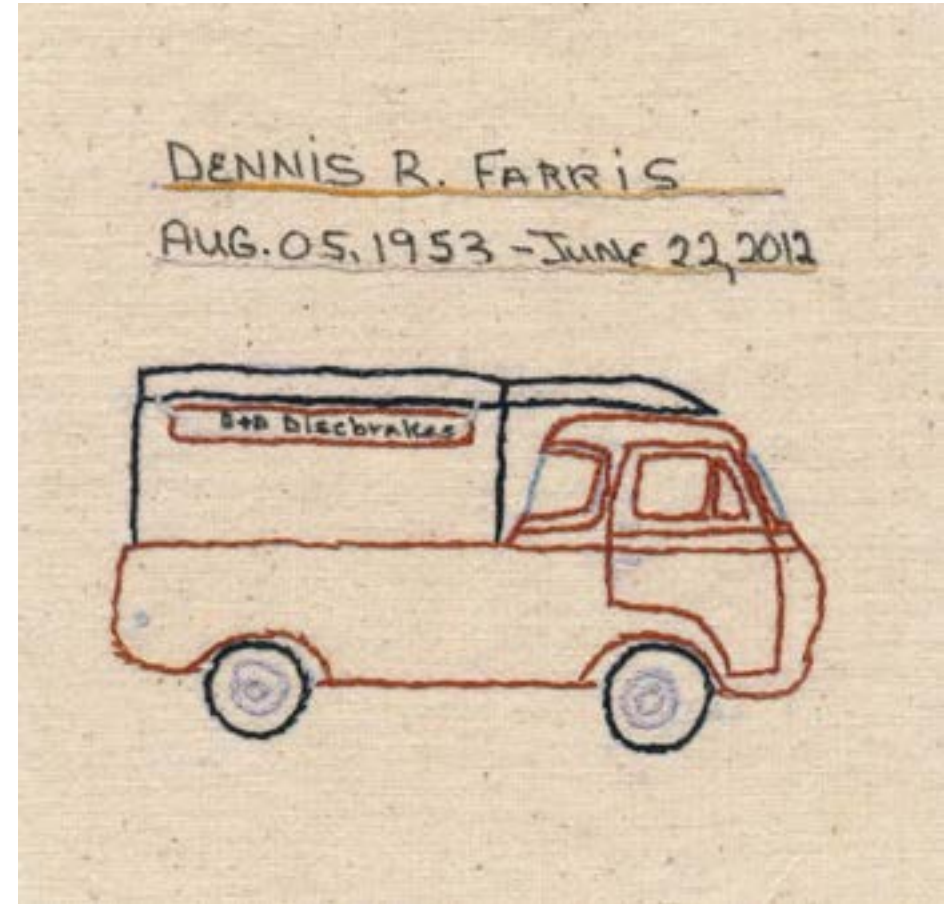
THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
DENNIS ROBERT FARRIS
PHILOMATH, OREGON
DONOR

August 5, 1953 – June 22, 2012

This Quilt Square is to honor Dennis R. Farris. This was his most favorite truck. It is a 1961, Econoline pick-up. His family lovingly called it “Ugly Truck.” Dean Donaldson (Dennis’ stepson) drew the picture and Teresa Farris (Dennis’ ex-wife) embroidered it. Dennis R. Farris, 58, of Philomath, died on Friday, June 22, 2012. Born on August 5, 1953, in Eugene to Robert Farris and Veronica Becker Farris, Dennis grew up in Bellfountain and Junction City.

He graduated from Junction City High School. Dennis grew up around sawmills and was around them all of his life. He worked for I.P. Miller Lumber Co. and Marys River Lumber.

He was a certified lumber grader and millwright. He was very creative and there was nothing he couldn’t figure out or fix.



Quilt Square Designer: Terri Farris and
Dean Donaldson

Quilt 15 – Block E4

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DENNIS ROBERT FARRIS
PHILOMATH, OREGON
DONOR

He loved racing; he worked for several years as a technical inspector for Eugene Speedway, and built several racecars. He was a big NASCAR and National Hot Rod Association fan. Dennis loved his ugly trucks (Ford Econoline pickups); he had several, and belonged to the Econoline Club. He took a lot of pride in how he kept up the yard like a park. His family has always called their property our little piece of heaven. Dennis is survived by his ex-wife, Terri Farris; son, David Farris and his wife, Amy, Dean Donaldson and his wife, Debbie, and Don Scott; daughter, Angela Luther and her husband, Dustin; grandchildren, Tiffany, Kylee, David Lee, Rashelle, Marrisa, and DJ; greatgrandchildren, Kaiden and Izaiah; and a brother, Fred Farris. He also is survived by his beloved pets, Annie, Baby, KitKat and Rascal.

Dennis was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Linda.

Dennis, you were loved very much and will be missed.

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HONORING

GARY LODGE

EUGENE, OREGON

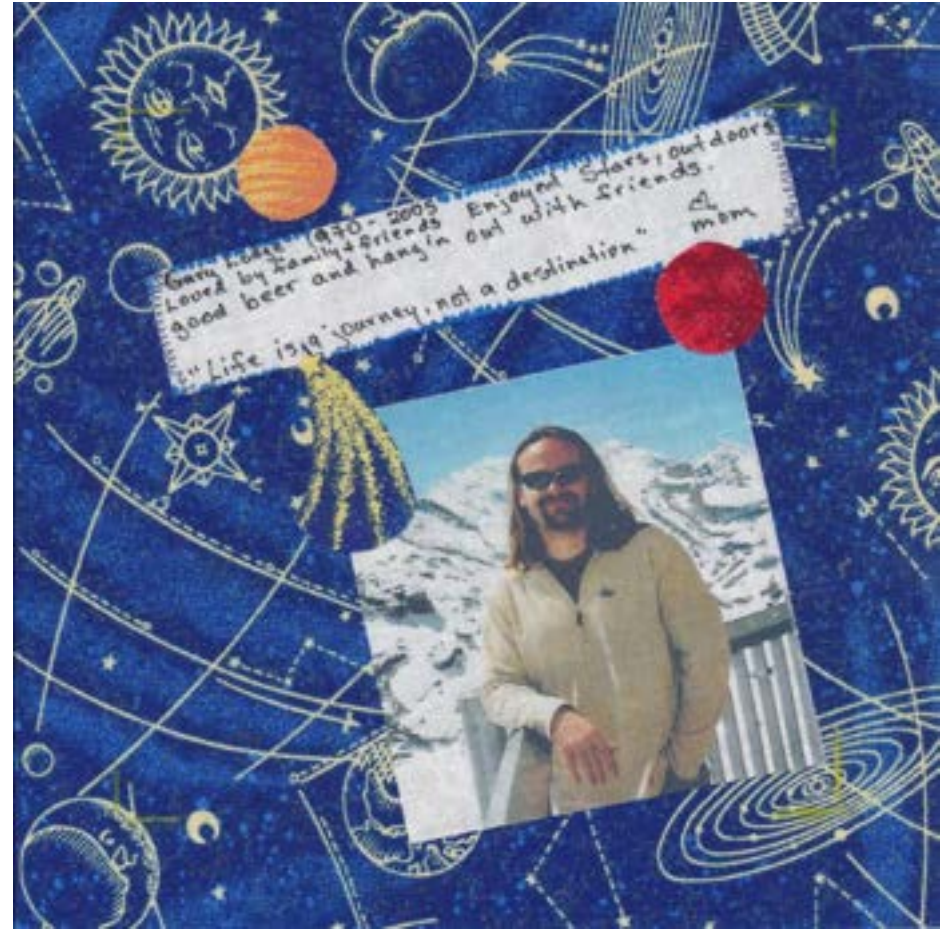
DONOR

1970 -March 1, 2005

Gary Lodge was a writer, loved the outdoors and wanted to make a positive impact on the world. He was funny and kind. He gave wonderful hugs. He was a son to Brenda Cervantes, a fiancé to Tanesha Hyde, and best friend to both. Gary treasured his personal relationships. He knew what mattered most in life was the imprints you leave on the people you touch, not the possessions you collect along the way. At age 34, Gary's life came to a sudden end when a blood clot lodged at the base of his brain. In the midst of a devastating loss, Brenda knew Gary wanted to be an organ, eye and tissue donor – he had a 'D' on his license. At the same time his organs were procured, sperm was also collected at Tanesha's request. Perhaps she could save that dream they had together. Their daughter, Erin, was born 1 year and 7 months after her father passed away. A miracle! A beautiful bundle of joy to help to move forward in life. "Life is a journey, not a destination." His family moves forward knowing that Gary is not in the past. He is on some shore over the horizon, a star in the galaxy, a place we cannot see. He loved adventures and now he is off on another one.

Quilt Square Designer: Brenda Cervantes

Quilt 15 – Block E5



Gary left behind a mother, a father, a fiancé, and a baby he never held. He left his imprint of kindness and compassion on countless friends, family, and strangers. Gary's important decision to be an organ donor transformed his tragic death into HOPE for 88 people, including six organ recipients.

His corneas gave sight to two and his tissues restored mobility and improved the lives of 80 people!

Gary's legacy is HOPE.

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HONORING
JUDY M. WHITMAN
WELCHES OREGON
DONOR

May 10, 1944 - April 14, 2011

Judy Whitman (Throop) was a beautiful woman who enjoyed life to the fullest. She was a wonderful wife, mother and friend to many. The majority of her career was in the medical field working for hospitals and individual doctors. She was loved by her patients. Her greatest joy was raising two delightful daughters and spending time outdoors. Judy was active and enjoyed running, hiking, exercising and camping. She loved living in the Berkeley Hills and gardening. Her beauty caught everyone's attention - her beautiful smile and bright blue eyes were a pleasure to behold. A spinal cord injury made the last years of her life difficult. Judy remained strong and happy, enjoying Oregon's natural bounty and good friends. Judy was a gift to us all. She will be remembered in love and greatly missed. Thank you to Lions VisionGift (formerly Lions Eye Bank of Oregon) and Donate Life Northwest for their support and care. Judy was so very feminine, always dressed beautifully. She was a hero to me and others, living life with grace and such challenges - so inspiring.



Quilt Square Designer: Arvilla
McAllister, friend Submitted by: Ron
Whitman, husband

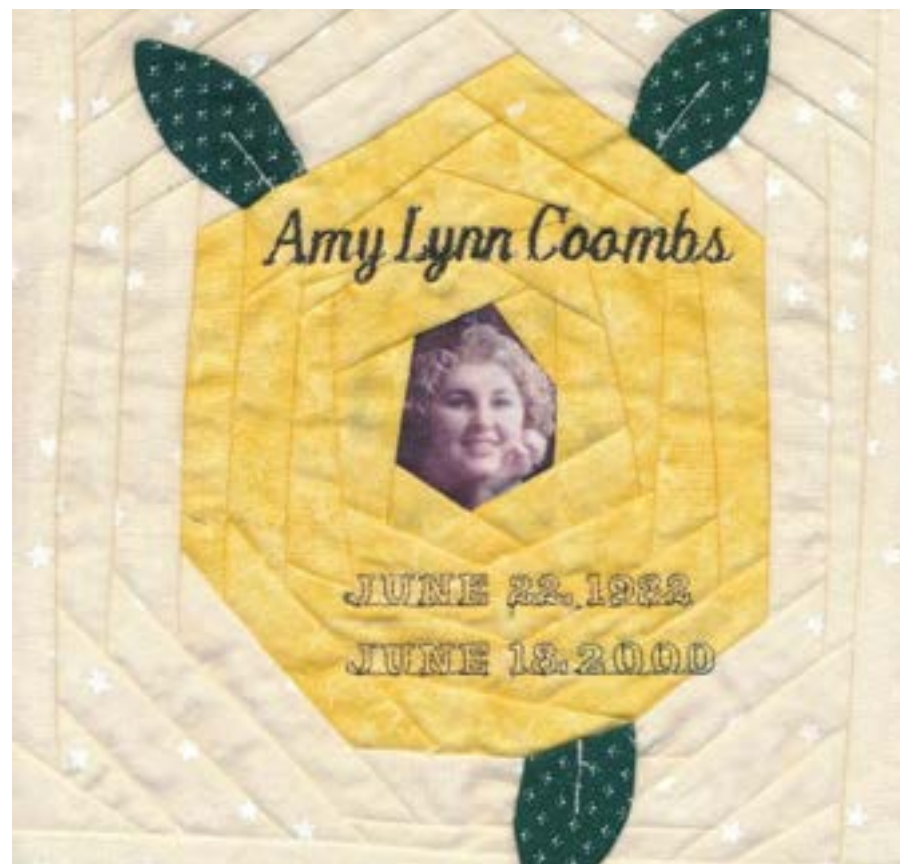
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THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
AMY LYNN COOMBS
VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON
DONOR

June 22, 1982 – June 18, 2000

Quilt Square Designer:
Terry Hegerle, mother

Quilt 15, Block F2



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
KENNETH LEE EARLEY
NORTH BEND, OREGON
DONOR

February 3, 1938 – March 26, 2012

Ken was born Feb. 3, 1938, in Concordia, Kansas to William and Stella Ota (Noe) Earley. He died March 26, 2012, in North Bend, Oregon. Ken grew up in Gardenia, California, graduating from Gardenia High School. He then attended Loyola Marymount University, receiving a degree in electrical engineering. He worked for Garret Air Research/Allied Signal, retiring after 35 years of service. He moved to Oregon where he enjoyed many hobbies including helping friends and volunteering at the North Bend and Lakeside senior centers. He loved riding and building dune buggies, and ATVs in the Oregon dunes and Glamis sand dunes in California. He loved to travel and spend time with his family. He was the greatest handy man and could fix just about anything. Ken is survived by his beloved wife, Darlene; children, Craig and Shelie Earley, Brian and Mariyn Earley, Cindy and Robert Sharpell, Michael and Diana Earley, Chad and Jaime Tavernier,

Quilt Square Designer:
Darlene Earley, wife

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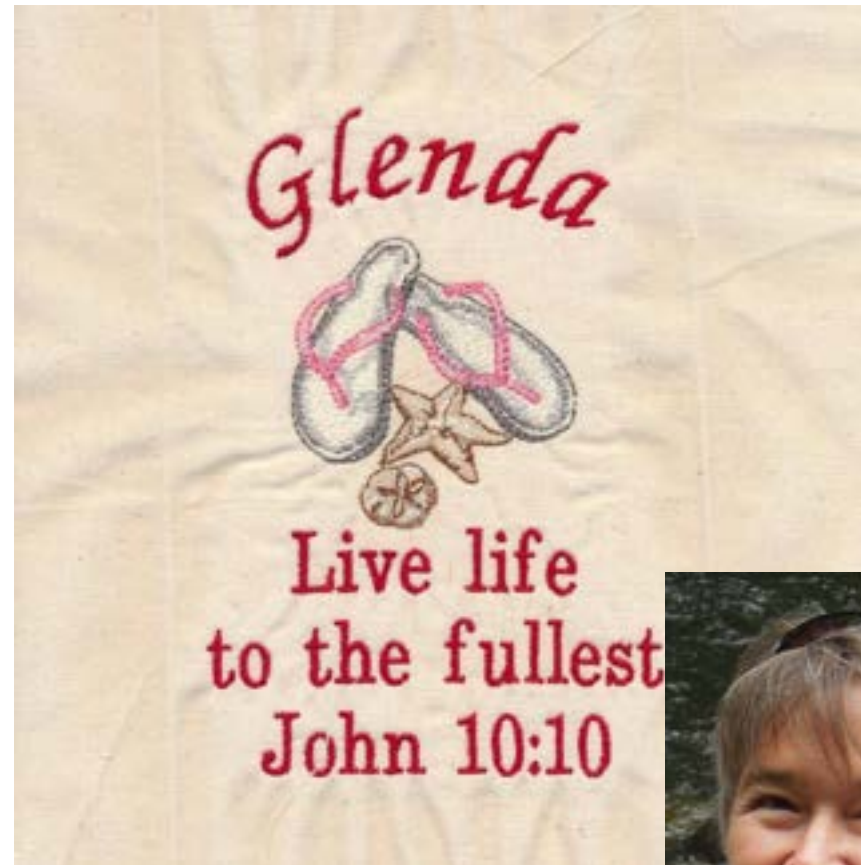


Steve and Karin Pavelek, Jodi and Mark Lockhart and Amee and Tracy Otero; grandchildren, Linze Hustead, Tara Sharpell, Amanda Sharpell, Zachery Sharpell, Emily Linstrom, Robin Brust, Bonnie Earley, Julie Earley, Joel Earley, Gloryann Earley, Shannon Earley, Erica Earley, Jessica Earley, Derek Earley, Nathan Earley, Austin Earley, Tori Tavernier, Colton Tavernier, Zoe Lockhart, Natasha Pavelek and Jasper Otero; great-grandchildren, Kaden Hustead, Kohl Hustead, Brady Hustead, Wesley Linstrom, Noah Linstrom, Landyn Earley and Bradyn Earley; sister, Kathy and Rich Goudy; and brother, John Earley. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Norm; and wife, Carolyn.

July 26, 1966 – September 14, 2012

Glenda F. Blank, 46, of Manheim, PA died on September, 14 2012 at Avamere Rehabilitation and Care Center in Hillsboro, Oregon. She was injured in a bicycle accident on July 18, 2012 in Cannon Beach, OR while on vacation with her family. Her husband of twenty years, Pastor Bill Blank and their daughter, Emily Blank, along with Glenda's parents, Ray and Libby Deiter, New Providence, PA will remember Glenda's great outlook and enjoyment of life. She blessed many people with her actions of kindness and love. She graduated from Ecola Bible School, Cannon Beach, OR in 1988 and Lancaster Mennonite High School, Lancaster, PA in 1984. She enjoyed life and now enjoys life even more as she resides with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. She attended and served with her husband at Erisman Mennonite Church, Manheim. They previously served at East Petersburg Mennonite Church and Maple Grove Mennonite Church, Atglen. They also served as youth advisors at Portland Mennonite Church in the early nineties. She enjoyed the Oregon Coast, Vermont Ski trips, riding bikes, reading novels and playing games with her family. One recent joy was the purchase of her red Vespa scooter and receiving her motorcycle license. This patch represents her love for the Oregon Coast. The verse reference was a part of who Glenda was in her life. She knew Jesus came, that we all have life and should live it to the full.

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
GLEND A BLANK MANHEIM
PENNSYLVANIA
DONOR



Quilt Square Designer: Eileen Hoover

Quilt 15 – Block F4

January 2010

This quilt square honors the life of Jo Scott. Known to us as Jo, Josie, Joey, sister, mother, life partner, she was a ray of sunshine in all of our lives. The colors depict those that remind me of her most, perhaps her favorite colors. I added the hearts and flowers to signify 'Sugar and Spice and everything nice'; so true for Jo. The leafy batik represents her love for nature and gardening. The complexity of beautiful colors mimics the complexity and beauty of her life. My message to her from all of us, love you! Sister, mother, life partner, and friend; Jo embraced all of these roles with the gusto and zest that defined her life! Born in Boise, Idaho, Jo was the youngest daughter of Norman and Doris Wood. Along with her 3 sisters, Carol, Karyn, and Tammy, the family spent Jo's early childhood years in Boise, then several years in Hells Canyon, and then finally in Salem, Oregon. After graduating from Sprague High School in 1979 she married and had one daughter, Lisa. Several years after a divorce, her close friend Lori introduced her to Dave, who became her life partner. Together they lived in Newport, Oregon where Jo spent the rest of her life decorating their home, filling their yard with plants, and working alongside Dave in his landscaping business doing her infamous 'man labor', and finding homes for local feral cats, a cause close to her heart.

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
JOSEPHINE LYNN WOOD
SCOTT MERIDIAN, IDAHO
DONOR



Quilt Square Designer: Karyn Wood,
Sister

Quilt 15 – Block F5

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
JOSEPHINE LYNN WOOD
SCOTT MERIDIAN, IDAHO
DONOR

Jo loved her family deeply, and her strong faith carried her through both good and bad times. She was a merry prankster, always coming up with something to make us laugh. Never at a loss for words, her sense of humor was known to all whose lives she touched. Jo's greatest accomplishment was being an organ donor. Though her unselfish act of giving, she gave the gift of sight, of life, and of hope to others. Her spirit will always be with us and will live on through her gift.



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT HONORING DONOR FAMILIES

The Donor Family Advisory Committee's mission is to provide a unified voice for donor families who share their experiences of donation to improve the process and increase awareness of organ, eye and tissue donation. Meetings are held quarterly and allow the opportunity for direct feedback from donor families to enhance sensitivity and the effectiveness of each transplant organization's process. Members help identify new donor families to participate, are involved in planning Donor Memorial Events, review and comment upon public education materials, and work with Donate Life Northwest to increase family speakers and volunteers for public donation awareness events.



Quilt Square Designer: Donor Family
Advisory Committee

Quilt 15 ,Block G2

September 18, 1971 – May 22, 2007

My dad wasn't the normal everyday hero like you see in movies or comics. That doesn't make him any less of a hero in my eyes though. He saved multiple lives when he left us. Silently he helped without even knowing. He impacted all those people's lives and every one of his family members. We never called him sergeant or sir, it was always just faja. It was different, but it was ours and that's why we love it so much. The simple joy of him could change anyone's mood; just walking into the room his presence just lightened the whole place. He never had a dull moment. He was the most compassionate and happy person I've ever known. Not a single person could replace the tenderness you would feel with him. It is an honor to say my dad donated his life to save others in his fleeting hours. That's a pretty courageous, soulful act to give life to someone you don't know. When someone asks what happened I will forever include that he was an organ donor and even in death he brought a little light upon life. That alone makes this experience truly enlightening. Everyone of us in his family miss him every day, though we all know a little piece of him is still here and he's never far from the heart. I love you faja. Hope you're looking down on us. With much love, your little girl Merissa Todd

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
HONORING
PAUL MARK PANTLE
SPRINGFIELD, OREGON
DONOR



Quilt Square
Designer:
Merissa Todd,
daughter
Quilt 15 ,
Block G3



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT
CELEBRATING
CHRISTIAN DAVID RUWALDT
CENTRAL OREGON
RECIPIENT

Christian David Ruwaldt is the recipient of assorted donor heart tissue. He was born with Endocardial Fibroelastosis and Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome. Because of the generosity of a donor family, Christian is a very active, happy and enthusiastic 4-year-old.

Quilt Square Designer:
Deni Watson, grandmother

Quilt 15 , Block G4



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