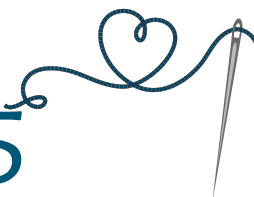


QUILT SEVEN

# THREADS OF LIFE QUILT



2005



Dedication Oregon Donor Program dedicates this book to the families who have given the gift of life and to those whose lives have been saved and healed by donation.

We thank everyone for sharing their heartfelt stories, memories, and contributions to the Threads of Life Quilt. Their courage and commitment are felt by all those who view the quilt and this book.





THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**DARWIN DEAN MARTIN**  
DONOR

My square is a bow that we add to gifts we give.  
DARWIN DEAN MARTIN gave his eyes as a gift.  
Darwin was a gift I had for 25 years. He loved his family, five boys, two girls, and 11 grandkids, his two dogs, 4-wheeling in the sand dunes, and camping.  
He was Mr. Fix It, always prepared and a friend to everyone.



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Bernice Martin (Wife).

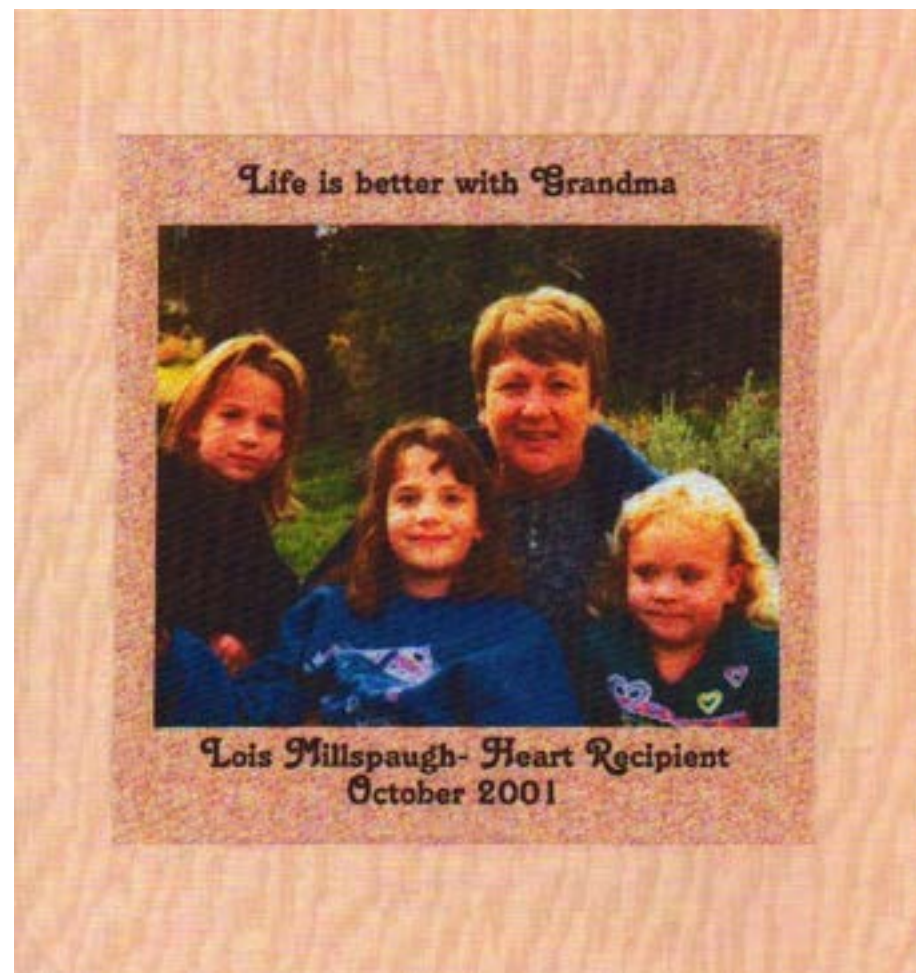
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THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**LOIS MILLSPAUGH**  
RECIPIENT

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Submitted by Lois Millspaugh

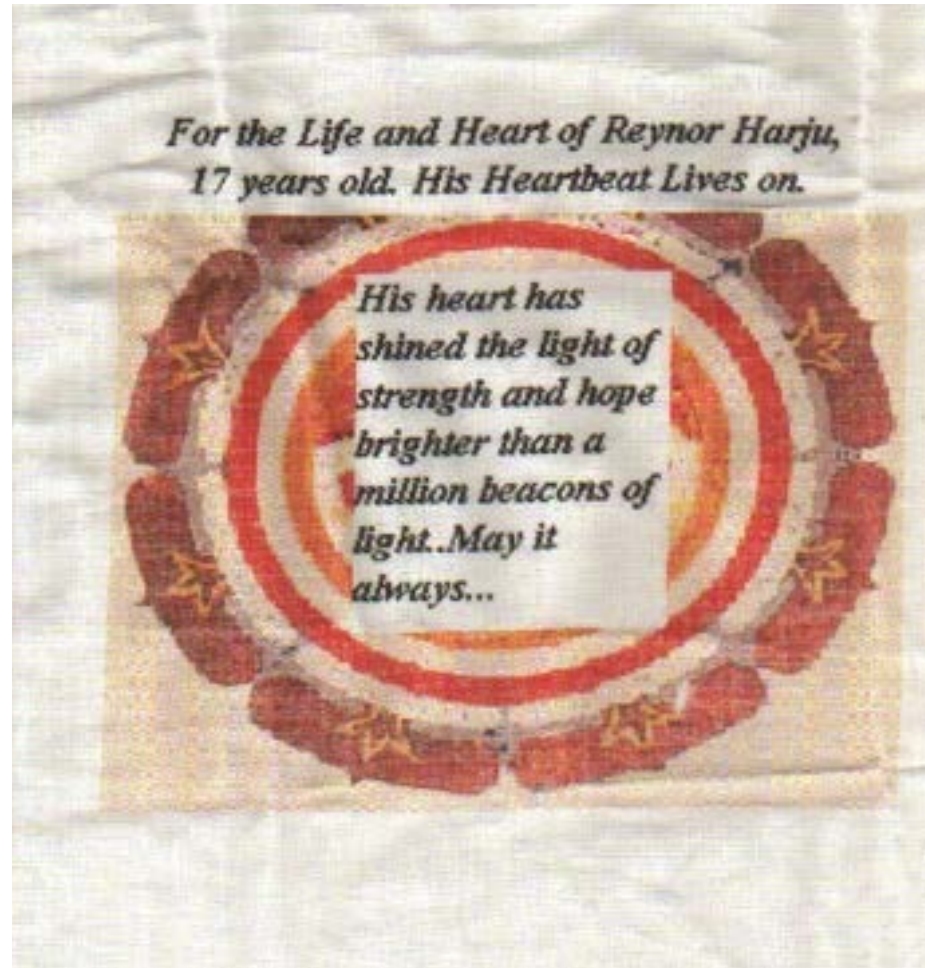
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THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**REYNOR HARJU**  
DONOR

Quilt Square Designed and  
Submitted by Sonja Harju (Mother).

Quilt 7, Block C1



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**JOYCE ANN FUNK ZIEMLAK**  
DONOR

While I contemplated what I would do to make my square, I kept thinking of this picture of Joyce and how she looks like she is walking off to heaven. Joyce was a real angel of a daughter. She was an avid DUCK fan and could hardly wait for football season to arrive.

Her office was decorated in green and gold, and every chance she got she decorated the showcase out front with her duck things. Joyce Ann Funk Ziemiak was a very giving person and so she was a donor. Her eyes went to two different people who are now able to see. Her heart went to a father of four. Her liver and both kidneys went to three others. Her pancreas was used for research.

While we miss her greatly we are comforted by the fact that she goes on living in the bodies of others. Joyce was a loving mother and her children always came first. She was widowed at a young age with a five-year-old and a three-year-old.

After being widowed she decided to move and return to school. She attended the University of Oregon and received her Masters of Science in Industrial Relations graduating with top honors. She went to work for Lane Transit District where she was a valued employee



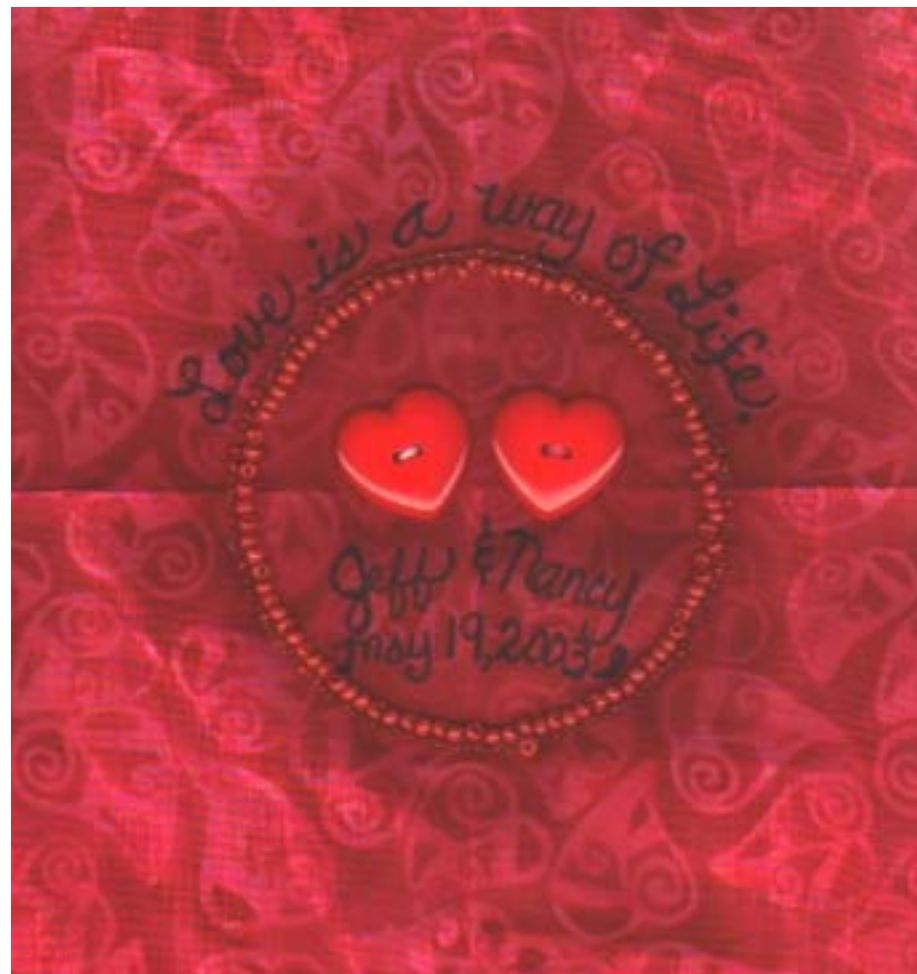
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by Diana Funk, (Mother).

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THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**JEFFREY KALVELAGE**  
RECIPIENT

Love as a way of life has two meanings for us. One is the transplant process that links love and life between us. And the second way represents the bond between our mother and ourselves. This phrase was inscribed on our mother's gravestone.



Quilt Square Designed and Submitted by  
Jeffrey Kalvelage and Nancy Kalvelage

Quilt 7, Block E1



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**DOLORES GOLDEN**  
LIVING DONOR  
**LEE GOLDEN, JR.**  
RECIPIENT

Submitted and designed by  
Lee Golden, Jr. (Recipient).

Quilt 7, Block F1



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**HOWARD BENYAS**  
LIVING DONOR  
**LAURA ELLSWORTH**  
RECIPIENT

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by Laura Ellsworth (Recipient).

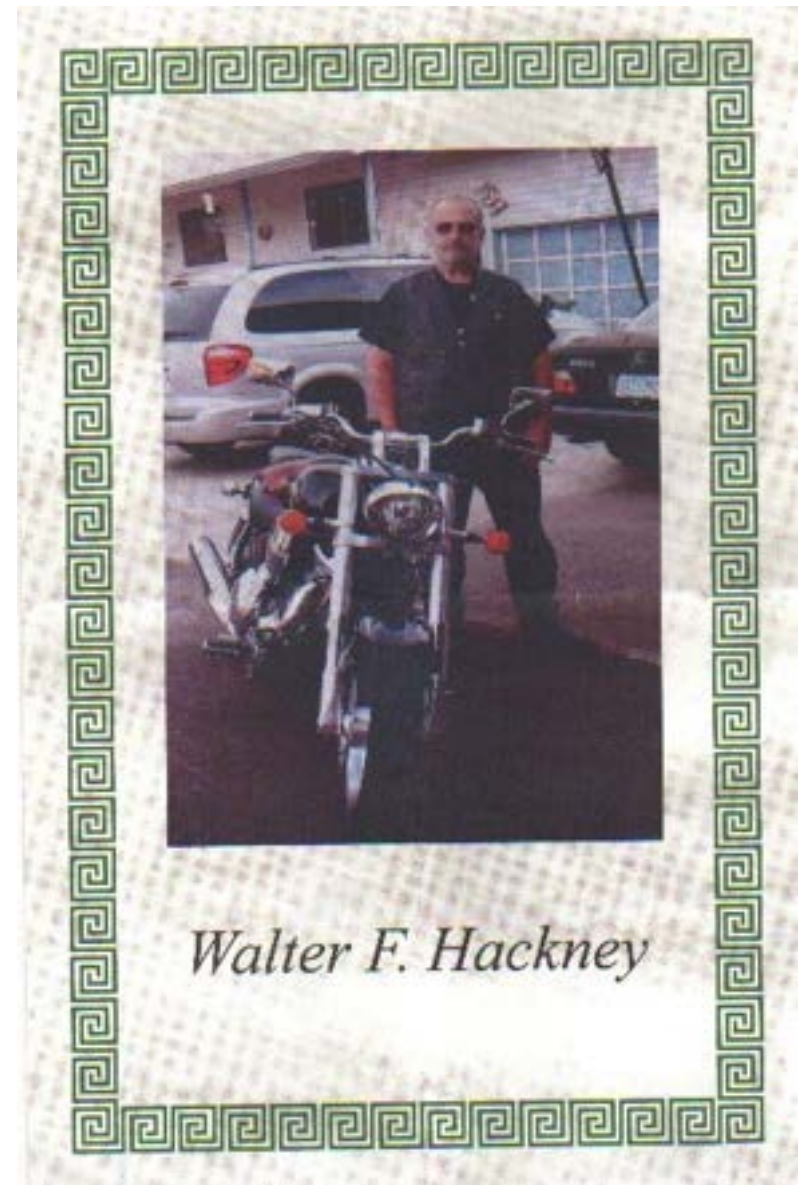
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THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**WALTER F. HACKNEY**  
DONOR

Walter Franklin Hackney, sometimes known as —Frank|| or —Mr. Hackney|| to his sister, passed away suddenly on Monday, November 22, 2004 at the St. John's Medical Center in Longview, Washington. Frank was proud to have served his country in Vietnam as a member of the 15th Air Cav. He was a life long resident in Oregon. He was a half owner of Triple H Trucking in St. Helens, Oregon and drove trucks most of his life. Frank was a commercial driver and loved the ocean, kids, pets and being right. Frank is survived by his mother, Ruby Kaer; his sister, Robbie and her husband, Stephen, their son Kurt and family Lisa, Kolby, and Kaleb; his brother Richard and his brother Mark and family Susan, Sophi, Nyall and Alana, and his Aunt LuRee Ensworth. Frank will be missed by his friends and neighbors. When you were winning a discussion, Frank used to always tell you, —I'm not going to be around here much longer and you'll be sorry when I'm gone!|| He was right again. He's gone and we're sorry. He will be missed. Frank was passionate about his country and his time in Vietnam.

He believed strongly in the Vietnam Veterans Association.



Quilt Square Designed and  
Submitted by Robbie Hanson  
(Sister).

Quilt 7, Block H1



# THREADS OF LIFE QUILT HONORING **ROB COY** DONOR

This quilt square is in memory of Rob Coy. Rob passed on into Heaven on January 27, 2004.

On January 28, 2004, Rob donated his kidneys and liver. Rob was born in Oregon on October 4, 1950. Later he and his family would move to Idaho. As a child, he raised sheep for 4-H and won many ribbons. During his teenage years, he spent countless hours riding his horse Sissy in the desert. In his early twenties,

Rob began his 30-year career in the heating and cooling business. Rob had many friends and was loved and respected by all. Rob loved collecting all kinds of treasures, from something as small as marbles to items as big as tractors.

He had begun to learn how to play the guitar several years ago and was working on a wonderful collection of guitars. He also loved to play golf with his good friend John.

But most of all he loved spending time with his family. Rob was a wonderful son, father, grandpa (Pa), brother, and uncle.

His love and kindness will live forever in our hearts.



Quilt Square Designed and Submitted by  
Gayle Coy (Mother) and Melissa Harris  
(Niece).

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**DEBORAH K. MARSH**  
DONOR

The square background is light yellow.  
In the middle is a picture of Deborah with a butterfly right above her.  
To the left and right of the picture are sunflowers. Deborah Karroll (Albright) Marsh was born in Ridgecrest, California on February 23, 1972. She passed away on October 12, 2004. She was part of a family of five.  
She had two younger brothers. At age 21 she had an aorta heart valve replacement.  
She was married to her husband Jason in April 1998. Moved to Portland, Oregon in June of 2001. She was a graphic designer and had just started a new career as a student at East-West College, in Portland, for massage therapy. She wanted to become a Doctor of Holistic Medicine.  
She was a unique and gentle soul, who touched everyone's heart she met. She loved life and the world around her. Every day was a new beginning for her. She always had a smile on her face. Her favorite place in Portland was the Japanese Gardens.  
She will be missed by many.



Submitted by Carol Hartney and designed by  
Deborah's Aunt Diane

Quilt 7, Block B2



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**DANIEL DANZER**  
DONOR



Quilt Square Designed and  
Submitted by Charlotte Ing (Aunt).

Quilt 7, Block C2



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**B.J. KNIGHT**  
RECIPIENT

Quilt Square Designed and  
Submitted by B.J. Knight  
(Recipient) & Mabel Knight (Wife).

Quilt 7, Block D2



# THREADS OF LIFE QUILT CELEBRATING **KATHRYN LANGSTON** RECIPIENT

My quilt square is called —My Cup Runneth Over and it shows the names of my family flowing out of a teapot. The teapot and cups are blue.

This symbolizes my complete happiness to be alive to enjoy the lives of all I love. The idea for the square was my own, and with my sisters input and the creativity of my Aunt, it was brought forth to perfection. The square honors someone I don't know and the family that so unselfishly gave of themselves. I received a kidney on March 19, 2003. COURAGE – Many people say I had a lot of courage to go through the challenges I went through the last 6 years but I say a family I may never know had more courage. They made the choice to unselfishly give a part of their loved one.

Someone died so I may live. I almost can't bear the thought. COURAGE breaking through their tears, they made a choice so others may live. I am able to enjoy life to its fullest, enjoy my 5 children and 6 grandchildren, see life, experience life, and appreciate life. ALL THIS IS DUE TO A FAMILY'S COURAGE. NOW every day I live my life to the fullest. —MY cup truly runneth over.

For this, I say a DEEP ABIDING HEARTFELT THANK YOU.



Quilt Square Designed and  
Submitted by Kathryn Langston.

Quilt 7, Block E2

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**MARGARET McBEAN**  
DONOR

Margaret McBean had 8 children and more grandchildren then we could count, along with the loved nieces and nephews, step grandchildren, great grandchildren, and anyone else that wished to call her Mom, Aunty and or Grandma. She remembered them one and all during the holidays as well as any needy family she heard of. And she gave the gift that keeps on giving.

Quilt Square Designed and Submitted by  
Rosa Lee Hays.

Quilt 7, Block F2





THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**NANCY FLORES**  
LIVING DONOR  
**HECTOR FLORES**  
RECIPIENT

Our quilt square is a circle of hearts, representing the Gift of Love and Life to Hector Flores of Vancouver, Washington, from his wife Nancy. Our kidney surgeries were done on May 24, 2004, one day prior to our 32nd wedding anniversary. We are forever grateful for the loving care, and compassionate and excellent treatment, from the team at Legacy Transplant Services. The square was designed by Nancy Flores, using a pre-designed cross-stitch pattern, which originally said, —Home is Where the Heart IS|| (also appropriate!) and is surrounded by a background of hot chili peppers, our daughter's idea. Hector loves to cook spicy food, including an annual batch of tamales, which he shares with his doctors. His other favorite activities include fishing, hunting, gardening, carpentry, and cooking of all types, especially Texas barbeque, which usually involves a friendly rivalry with his identical twin brother, Bert.



Quilt Square Designed and  
Submitted by Nancy Flores, (Wife).

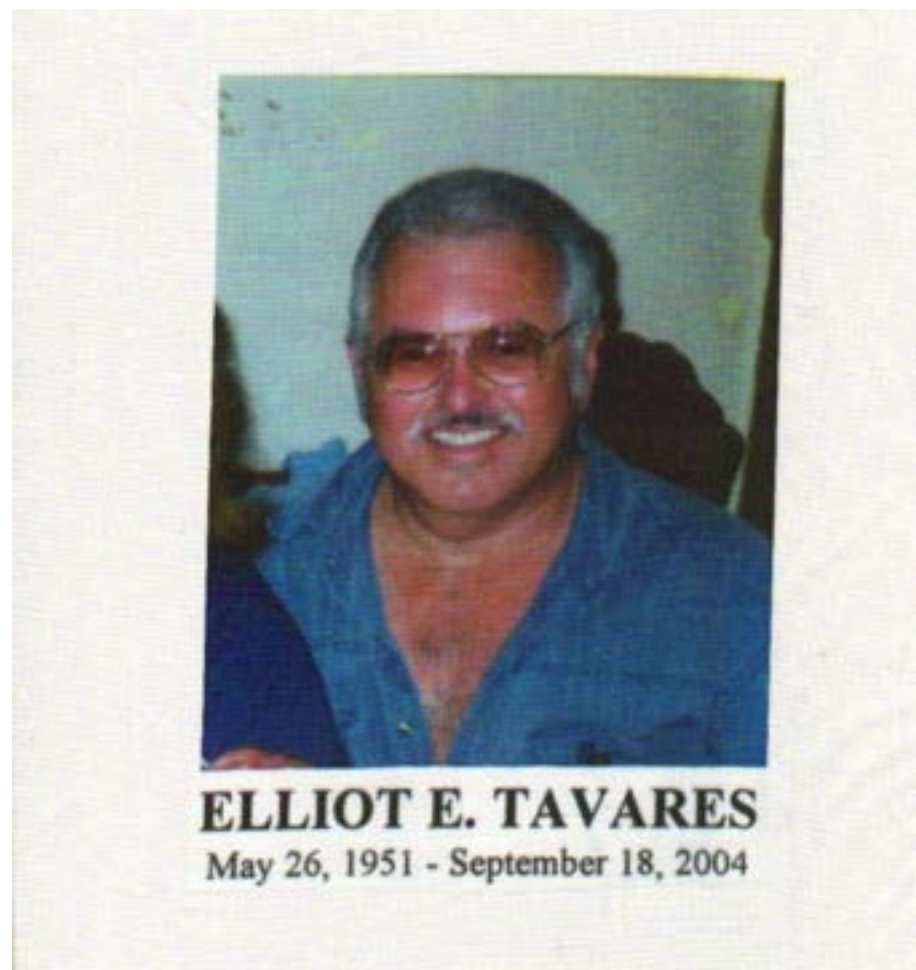
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THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**ELLIOT EDWARD TAVARES**  
DONOR

Elliot was born in Wahiawa, Hawaii, and passed away in Roseburg, Oregon. He lived and loved life to the fullest. He loved hunting, crabbing, camping, gardening and cooking. Most of all, he loved being with his family and friends, laughing and playing jokes. He had a favorite saying, —Of the greatest things we'll ever learn, the greatest is to love and be loved in return.|| He was our shining star and is deeply missed.

Quilt Square Designed and Submitted  
by Mae Tavares.

Quilt 7, Block H2



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**AUSTIN LOVE WRIGHT**  
DONOR

Quilt Square Designed and  
Submitted by Millie Wright.

Quilt 7, Block A3

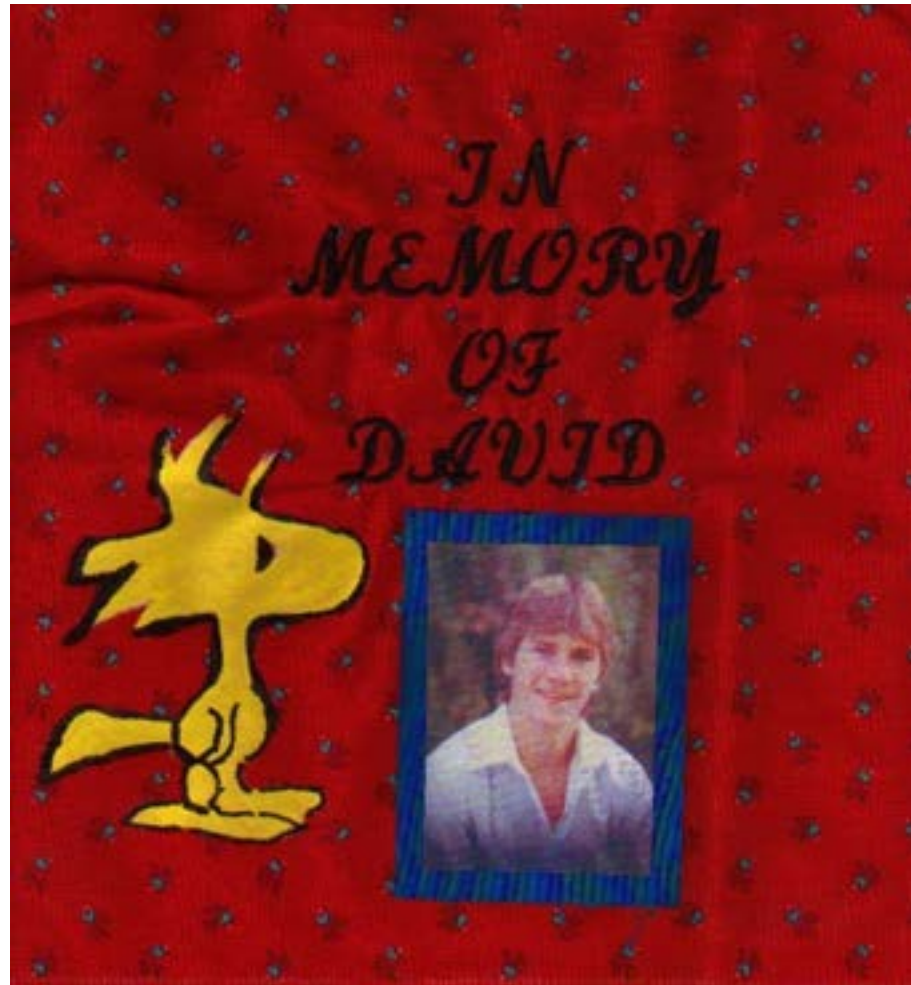




THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**DAVID LEE SOUTHWICK**  
DONOR

Quilt Square Designed and Submitted  
by Laura Southwick (Sister).

Quilt 7, Block B3



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**ELAINE MARIE FOSTER**  
DONOR

Born: March 1, 1929, in Cosmopolis,  
Washington. Died: September 29, 2004, in  
Battle Ground, Washington.

Married for 55 years to Gene L. Foster. She was  
a mother of 5 children, with 9 grandchildren  
and 5 great-grandchildren. Our mother, Elaine,  
spent her life enjoying God's simplest  
blessings: nature, birds, and her family. She  
spent endless hours as a quilter making quilts  
that were sent all over the world for Lutheran  
World Relief.

Her forgiving nature, sense of humor, infinite  
capacity for love and affection, and devotion to  
her family will live on in us forever. The words  
on the quilt are our representation of our  
mother.

We chose these words from our hearts, to  
describe her to you, she was one in a million,  
and she was our "Sarge".



Quilt Square Designed  
and Submitted by Wendy  
Humphres (Daughter).

Quilt 7, Block C3



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**ALLYSON**  
DONOR  
CELEBRATING  
**MICHAEL SPILLMAN**  
RECIPIENT

Quilt Square Designed and Submitted  
by Cathy Spillman and Michael  
Spillman (Recipient).

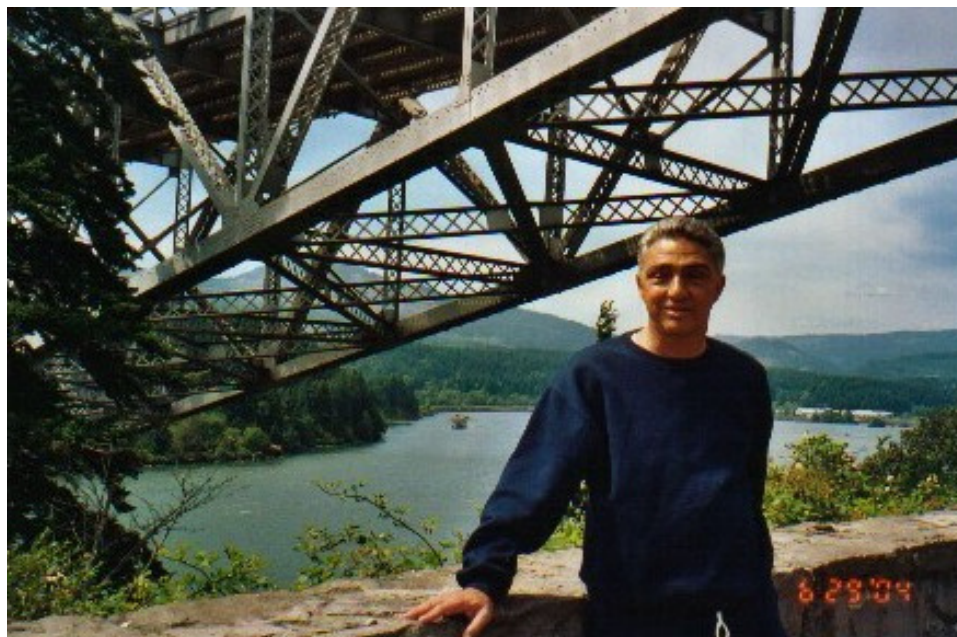
Quilt 7, Block D3





# THREADS OF LIFE QUILT CELEBRATING **URBAN MIYARES** RECIPIENT

The sailboat depicts the passion of Urban Miyares with his photo on the mainsail. Urban Miyares is a blinded Vietnam veteran, family man, athlete, and retired businessperson, who now devotes his life to charitable causes. Urban received his kidney transplant on June 14, 2004.



Quilt Square Designed and Submitted  
by Dixie Aljets and Carol Smith.

Quilt 7, Block E3

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**WYATT CHARLES BRADFORD**  
DONOR

On August 31, 2004 our precious baby boy, Wyatt Charles Bradford was born. At that time no one knew how truly precious this little spirit would be. Wyatt weighed 6 lbs 8 oz. and was 18 ½ inches long with his big sister's cheeks and his big brother's nose.

On September 2, 2004 while in his mother's arms Wyatt peacefully left this world on to his true calling. For some it would take a lifetime to make such a huge impact on many lives, but for Wyatt 3 days was a lifetime. You are loved and missed deeply Wyatt!

Quilt Square Designed and Submitted by Lorna Bradford (Mother).

Quilt 7, Block F3





THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**LAURA PETERSON**  
RECIPIENT

My donors Families are my Shining Stars...  
#1744 and #2667.

These are the numbers that the hospital assigned to my transplants. They are what connect me to two very loving and generous families. Even though I've never met them, I think of them every day and pray they know how thankful I am. My transplants have given me life, the energy and freedom to pursue opportunities and have choices I had never imagined possible. I have two beautiful granddaughters, Dakota 2 and Kyrsten 4 months, and a grandson, Ben 2. I plan to play a very important part in their lives.

My donor families' selfless courage will allow me to realize my dreams and to live my life to the fullest. I read an Arabian Proverb that sums it all up: —He, who has health, has hope; and he who has hope, has everything. Thank you —Shining Stars!



Quilt Square Designed and Submitted by  
Laura Peterson.

Quilt 7, Block G3



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**JERRY ABBOTT**  
DONOR

Jerry Abbott was a Jackson County Deputy Sheriff for 36 years. For many years he was a diver for them.

In later years he was their bomb technician.

He retired on January 31, 1998. He enjoyed riding his dirt bike, hunting elk in Eastern Oregon, fishing, and camping.

He died accidentally from a fall while cutting a limb off a tree in his yard. He fell 10 feet from a ladder on October 20, 1999. He is missed by his family and friends.

Quilt Square Designed and Submitted by  
Rita L. Abbott (Wife).

Quilt 7, Block H3



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**REX DANIEL MUNSELL**  
DONOR

Rex Daniel Munsell: September 9, 1982 – July 5, 2004.

Our son was a free spirit in life on earth, and now is a free spirit in another dimension. He was set on peace and harmony, just as his music was. He loved to hike, fish, and camp. He was a carpenter and a self-taught horticulturist.

He loved his life and his family and he always had a smile on his face.

This square is cut from a pair of Rex's favorite pants.



Quilt Square Designed and Submitted by the  
Munsell Family

Quilt 7, Block A4



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**R. S. BAKER**  
DONOR

My husband, R.S. Baker, died suddenly June 26, 2004 of heart disease. Born September 30, 1926, R.S. grew up in Oregon and Washington. He served in the Merchant Marine and the U.S. Army. A graduate of Pacific University and the University of Chicago, R.S. taught English at Western Oregon University in Monmouth and at the University of Trieste in Italy on a Fulbright Scholarship. R.S. became involved in the civic and political life of Salem and continued to enjoy his lifelong love of jazz. His quilt square was designed and sewn by family friend Pat Pennock. It depicts a shelf of books that reflect R.S.'s love of literature and teaching. His name is on one of the books because he was also an author. The fabric for three of the books came from scraps left over from a quilt made for R.S. and me by my mother. One of the books is made of fabric from one of R.S.'s shirts, a personal favorite (and all of his favorite things were blue!) The black bookshelf and the final book symbolize the important part friends played in R.S.'s rich and varied life. Finally, Pat drew musical motifs to remind those of us who knew him that the Baker beat will reverberate in our hearts for many years to come.

Quilt Square Designed by Pat Pennock,  
(Friend) and Submitted by Janet R. Baker  
(Wife).

Quilt 7, Block A4





THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**AMY LYNN COOMBS**  
DONOR

Quilt Square Designed and Submitted  
by Terry Hegerle (Mother).

Quilt 7, Block C4



# THREADS OF LIFE QUILT HONORING **TOBI SUE BRODERSEN** DONOR

Our daughter, Tobi Sue, was a developmentally delayed, vision impaired, non-verbal wheelchair kid who was in love with life. She went to an orthopedically impaired preschool, attended church, and had lots of friends. She loved to catch raindrops on her tongue, tease her family, and dance in her wheelchair. She was getting ready to go to kindergarten. Although devastated, we were blessed that at least her corneas could still be donated. Two adults, a 27-year-old man, and a 47-year-old woman in California were able to benefit from her gift. Follow-up showed that both recipients were doing well a year later. Tobi touched and changed many lives. We would be pleased to share Tobi's life and death with any individuals interested. She lived a short life on earth, but she still shines on.



Quilt Square Designed  
and Submitted by Debbie,  
Max, Michelle, Hannah  
and Van Brodersen  
(Family).

Quilt 7, Block D4



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**JAMON GRIFFIN**  
DONOR

The square is a picture of my son, Jamon Griffin, who died on August 30, 2000. Jamon was a very sweet child, who grew up to be a very nice young man. Jamon had a beautiful smile and a good heart. Jamon loved music and basketball and also worked with younger kids. Jamon is and will always be loved and missed.

Quilt Square Designed and Submitted  
by Bernice E Griffin (Mother).

Quilt 7, Block E4





THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**HOWARD W. SIMONSEN**  
DONOR

Howard W. Simonsen: May 15, 1928 – January 19, 2004. Our dad was a loving husband for 53 years and a wonderful father of three. He had six grandchildren and four greatgrandchildren. Dad spent his entire life in the Astoria/Warrenton area and retired from the Oregon Employment Division. Dad loved life and people and was especially happy when spending time with his family. Camping and clam digging with the kids and grandkids were favorite times for him. He really enjoyed the water and gillnetted on the Columbia River most of his life. He was a man that never met a stranger. Whether he was showing a tourist how to dig clams or telling stories while eating —day old|| pastries at the bakery, he was having fun and making friends. Being a donor was another way for him to love people. The square was paper pieced by his daughter and the embroidery was done by his wife. The church and trees look like our family's church (Clatsop Plains Pioneer Presbyterian Church.) The pattern was from Down In The Valley by Cori Derksen & Myra Harder.

Submitted and designed by Janet Ferguson  
(Daughter) and Colleen Simonsen (Wife).

Quilt 7, Block F4



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**DELMER M. LEPLEY**  
DONOR

This quilt square, depicting a fire truck and classic Cadillac, honors Delmer M. Lepley, by representing his years as a fire chief and lifelong love of his profession as a mechanic. Del attended Oregon institute of Technology majoring in automotive technology. From July 1951 to July 1955 he served in the Air Force. Upon returning to Lakeview, Del worked for several car dealerships before opening his own automotive garage. Del also promoted volunteerism, and for a number of years worked with the local Boy Scouts. He also served on the Lakeview Town Council for 14 years prior to becoming fire chief. After retiring from that position in 1996, he served as a volunteer in the fire department. In addition, Del was the 911 director, a member of the Lakeview Disaster Unit, a certified emergency medical technician, an advanced first aid instructor, and an Air Life team member. He taught many classes for emergency services volunteers and the general public. He was instrumental in obtaining a grant to build the current emergency services building. Del, along with the town mayor, established the 911 center for Lake County.



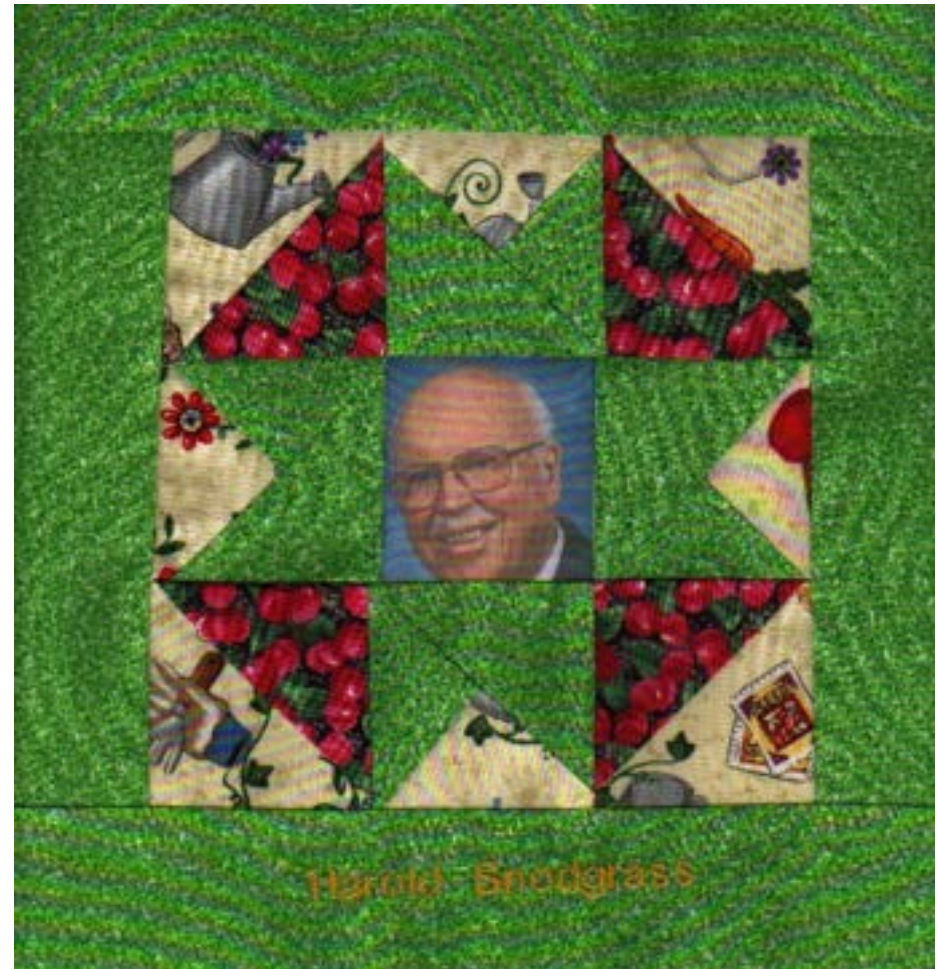
Submitted and designed by Maurice R.  
Lepley (Wife).

Quilt 7, Block G4



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**HAROLD SNODGRASS**  
DONOR

This Cry of the Loon square denotes a favorite hobby of Harold Snodgrass—gardening. His raspberries and tomatoes were lavishly given to many folks in the Medford area. When he moved to a retirement home in the Portland area he continued growing tomato plants in large containers. Harold L. Snodgrass was born July 25, 1911, and upon his death on October 15, 2004, he donated his eyes. Harold's wife Jane was the recipient of 3 cornea transplants in her later years and for this reason, he wanted to donate his eyes in repayment for what she had received. His eyes were used for medical research.



Submitted and designed by Jan Tallis  
(Daughter).

Quilt 7, Block H4



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**DONALD LEE SEARS**  
RECIPIENT

Submitted and designed by Georgia Bullock.

## Quilt 7, Block A5

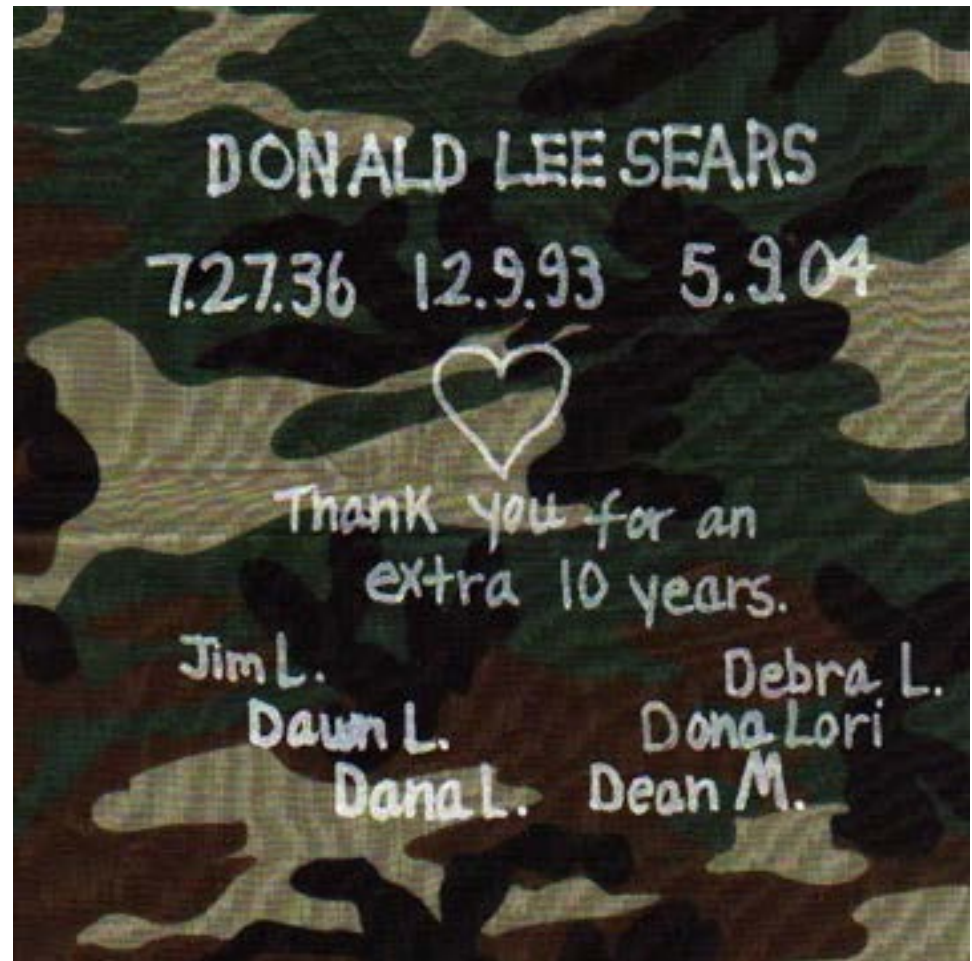


THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**DONALD LEE SEARS**  
RECIPIENT



Submitted and designed by Dana Ryan  
(Daughter).

Quilt 7, Block E5





THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**DOROTHY LOUISE “LOU” WOODS**  
DONOR

The tree represents Mom’s life. The large heart is Mom. The many branches represent the ways in which her interests, likes, loves and family and friends were a part of her. The small hearts represent her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, sister, and family. Most of the fabric used was fabric she had purchased to make clothing for her grandchildren. Mom was the heart of our family and our memories of her now reside in our hearts. Lou was born on July 22, 1929. She married Halbert Harold —Hal|| Woods on August 11, 1949. She was mom to Nancy Kay, Wilfred Allen —Bill|| and Judith Ann —Judy||, Grandma to Greg, Eryk George and Megan and Great-grandma to Kallie, Shawna, Taylor and Heaven and Sister to Betty. Her brother’s Max and Virgil preceded her in death. Mom was a retired tax auditor for the State Employment Division. She was active in the VFW and the American Legion Auxiliary. Since her retirement she had been able to travel to visit relatives and to research her family genealogy. Mom enjoyed reading, sewing, crocheting, bingo, computer, ice cream, spicy foods, puzzles, and coffee with family and friends, cooking, and making up stories to tell her grandchildren.



Submitted and  
designed by  
Nancy Foulke.

Quilt 7, Block  
B5





THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**PAMALA ROSA BANKS**  
DONOR

Pam was born in McCook, Nebraska, February 15, 1950. Pam moved to Albany, Oregon where she attended school. Pam met her husband at Ft. Hood, Texas in 1979 and was stationed in Germany for several years, with the last assignment at Ft. Knox, Kentucky. Pam moved to New Hampshire in 1986 and then moved to Oregon City in 2000

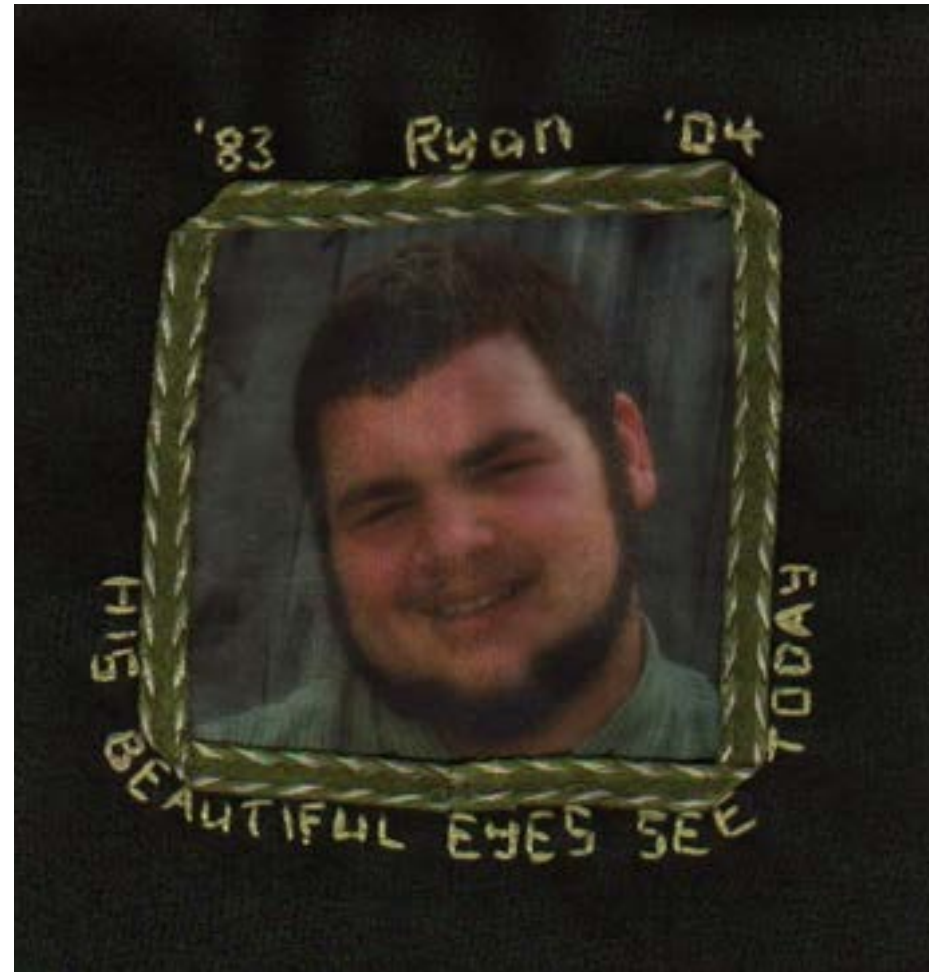


Submitted and designed by Nancy Foulke.

Quilt 7, Block C5

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**RYAN C. PHILLIPS**  
DONOR

Being a nurse who must at times be an organ requestor, my family had had many discussions about the selflessness involved in helping others when a death in a family occurs, and the difficulty of asking a family to donate organs, skin, bones, and eyes while they're grieving. Perhaps one of the few good things to come of my son's death was the fact that 2 people were able to see through corneal transplants, his bones were used for bone grafts and his skin helped save burn victims. Our quilt square contains tears of grief, and tears of gratitude (for being able to donate). When Ryan was a little boy, the stars and the moon shone in his eyes and the sun rose with his smile. Then, Ryan grew up and, like the rest of us. He wasn't perfect but he was a great son to his Mom & Dad and he was his sister's best friend. If the richness of a life is measured by how many people knew you, loved you and missed you, then at 20 years old, Ryan was a very rich man indeed. Ryan was a huge guy at 6 ft. 6 inches and 320 lbs, but he is most remembered for his big heart and generous spirit. He made and had friends wherever he went and was just starting to find direction in his life when we lost him. Some day, when it's our turn to move on, we'll find him again.



Submitted and designed by Kathy Phillips  
(Mother).

Quilt 7, Block D7



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**MARK SPITZNEGLE**  
LIVING DONOR  
**MARCEIL CASSELMAN**  
RECIPIENT

This quilt block is in recognition of the 5th Anniversary of my kidney transplant. My son, Mark Spitznegle gave me a kidney. It gave us greater love and communication within our adult lives. The picture is of him flying a kite on the Oregon beach. We've had many special times to share in these 5 years. Thank you to Dr. Bennett and Dr. Nearhing and their positive reinforcements.



Submitted and designed by Marceil  
Casselman (Recipient).

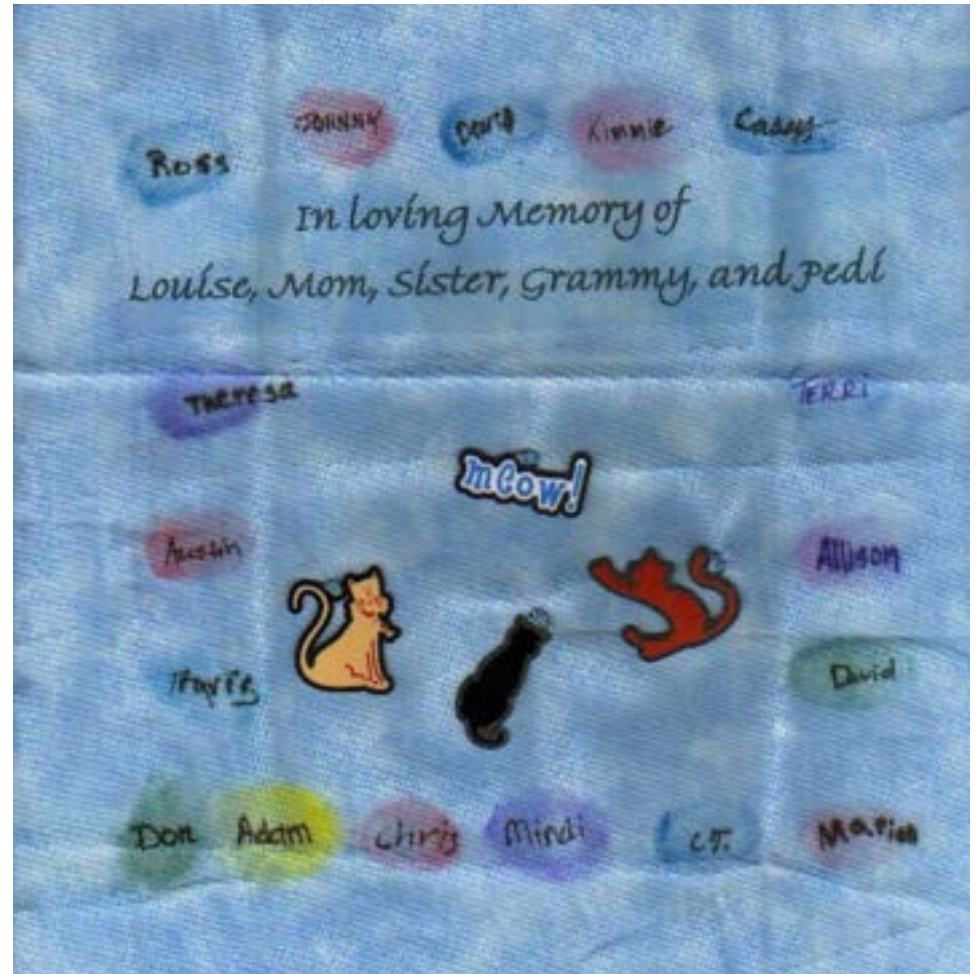
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THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**LOUISE: MOM, SISTER, GRAMMY, AND PEDI**  
RECIPIENT

Submitted and designed by Theresa Baker  
(Daughter-in-law).

Quilt 7, Block G5



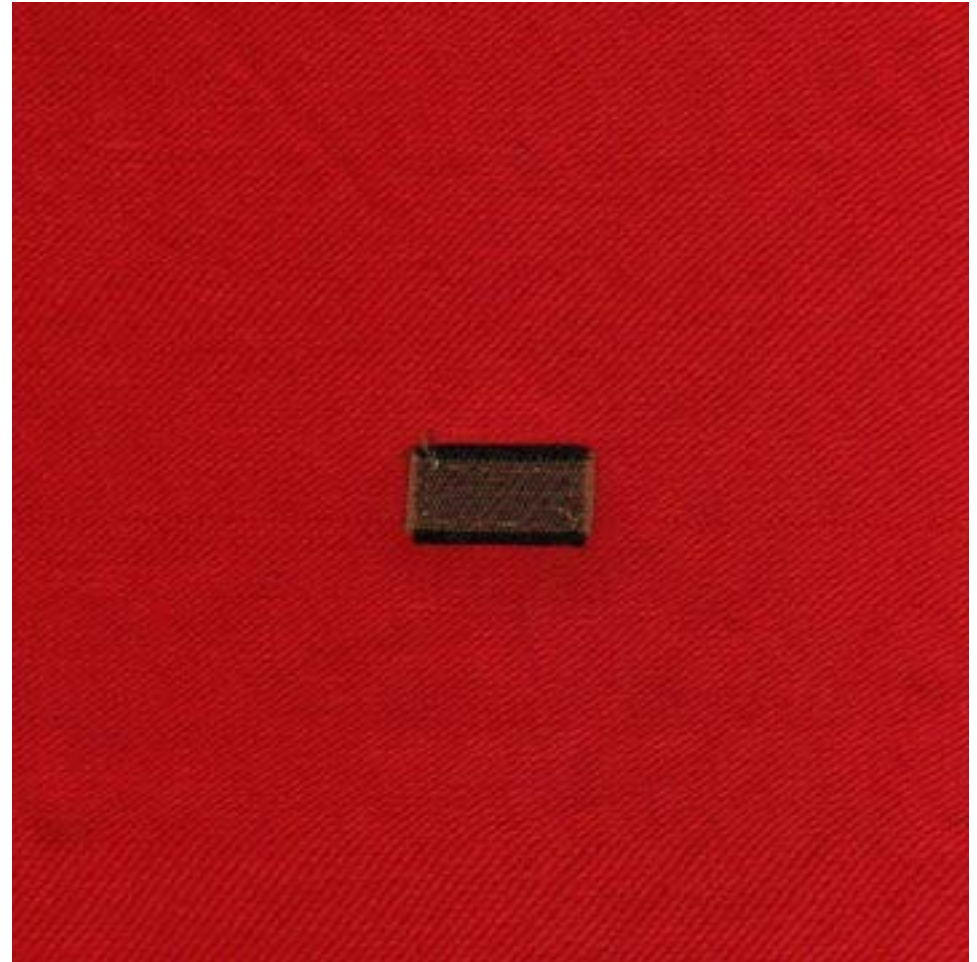
THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**BONNIE HENDERSON**  
RECIPIENT

The square is intended to honor an anonymous donor of fascia (tissue). I had surgery May 19, 1989. At age 34, with a 2-month-old baby, I learned I had a large tumor on my spinal cord that had invaded the dura. Surgery opened a hold about 1.5 by 3-4 cm (the size of the rectangle in my square) on the dura, which the surgeon patched with a piece of human fascia.

I didn't know until many years later that the patch was made with donated human tissue, making me a transplant recipient.

I was barely able to walk before the surgery (and shortly would have been paralyzed from the chest down without it); now I have complete mobility and have even written two hiking guidebooks published by The Mountaineers Books.

My thanks go to the family member who agreed to allow their loved one's fascia to be donated.



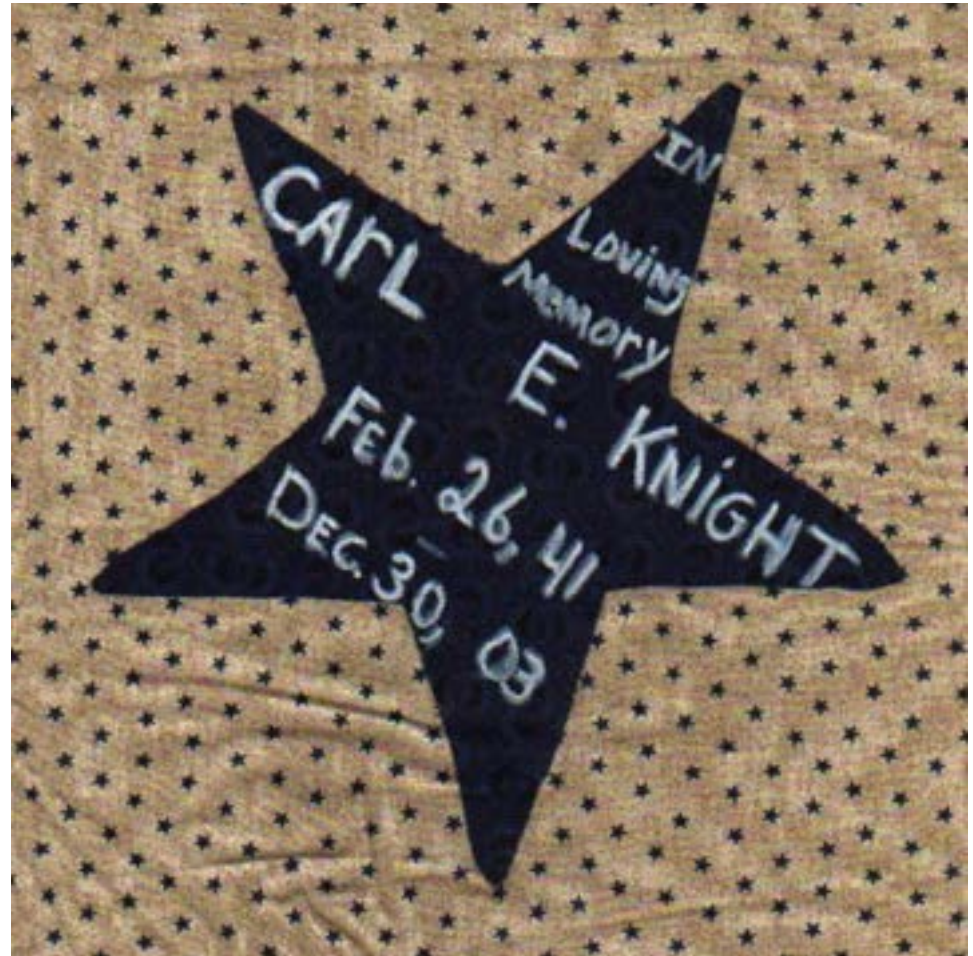
Submitted and designed by Bonnie Henderson  
(Recipient).

Quilt 7, Block H5



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**CARL E. KNIGHT**  
DONOR

My husband Carl E. Knight, liked to restore old toys like Tonka trucks, Smith Miller and the All American log trucks, from the 60's back, and pedal cars, too. He liked doing the Don Werf's antique shows in Portland, and the Always In April Car Swap. My husband was a tissue donor.



Submitted and designed by the Knight Family.

Quilt 7, Block A6



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**THERESA BAKER**  
RECIPIENT

Submitted and designed by Theresa Baker  
(Recipient).

Quilt 7, Block B6



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**GABRIELLA**  
DONOR

Gabby is my first grandchild. Gabby and her mother Aundry, were both killed in an auto accident 16 months ago. Gabby loved bedtime because her mommy would read her stories and sing her lullabies...she didn't like to go to sleep though! Gabby was full of energy and spunk. She liked to tease us and play. Her love changed our lives forever. We are thankful to know she is with her mommy in Heaven and we will all be together again someday. On her quilt square, the hearts represent her gift and the stars remind us to always look to Heaven, and we will never be alone. We are thankful Gabby gave the gift of life to a very special someone.

Submitted and designed by Christa Anderson  
(Grandmother)

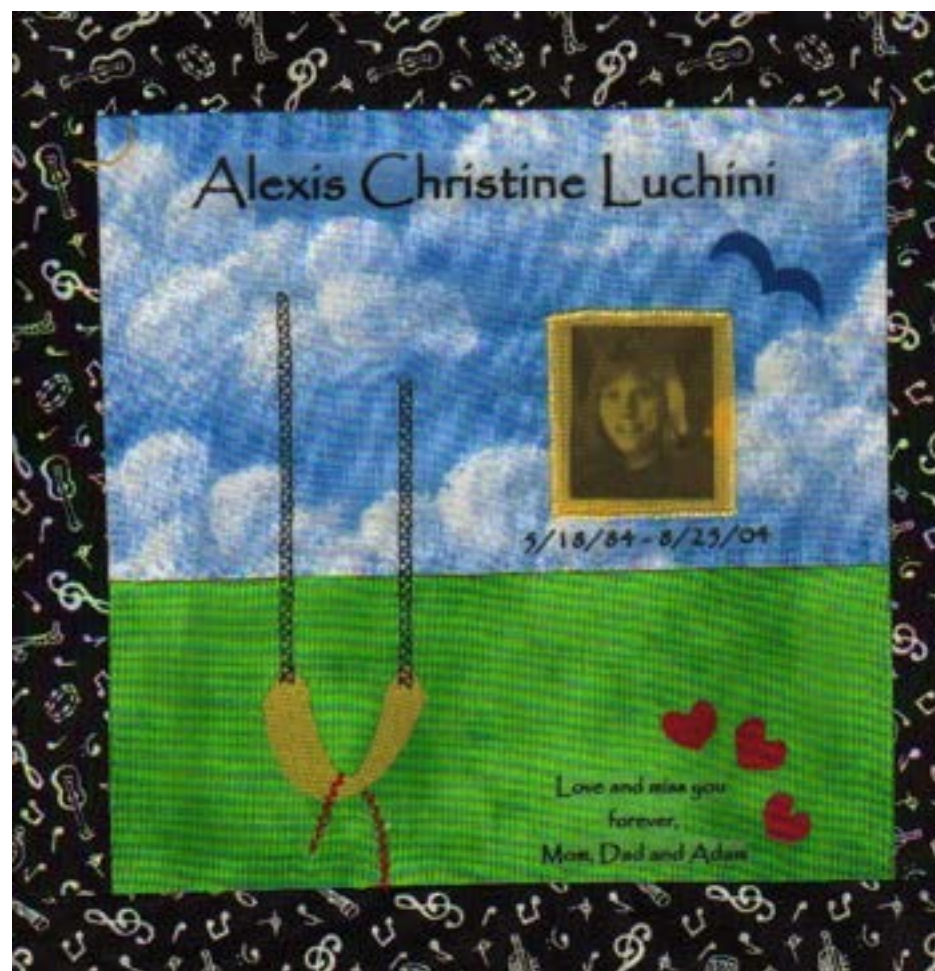
Quilt 7, Block C6





THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**ALEXIS CHRISTINE LUCHINI**  
DONOR

The square represents some of the things she enjoyed. Alexis loved to swing. She loved strings of beads (laying on the swing). She left behind the three in her family (three hearts). Every night before she went to sleep she liked to listen to her musical birdhouse (bird in the sky). And she loved to listen to the music of any kind (the musical notes surrounding the square.) Alexis arrived in this world after a difficult birth that left her with cerebral palsy. Despite her challenges, she soared with a spirit that touched others with courage and humor. With unusual leadership, Alexis taught others kindness and acceptance. She had a passion for living each day with enthusiasm. She was determined to live her life in her own way, accomplishing many things that others thought improbable. She loved her family and was especially intrigued by her younger brother Adam.



Submitted and designed by Marilyn and Al Luchini (Mother and Father).

Quilt 7, Block D6

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**ALEXIS CHRISTINE LUCHINI**  
DONOR

She loved music playing, beads in hand,  
swinging, hot tubs,  
going fast, riding airplanes, riding bikes, riding  
horses, going to Disneyland, going to church,  
going to  
the beach, riding max, eating, drinking,  
swimming, bouncing on her big red ball, going  
to school, going  
on vacation, Christmas and birthdays, being  
with friends, being alone, going for walks,  
reading books,  
taking baths, sleeping, smelling sweet, feeling  
proud, looking beautiful! She will be forever  
loved, forever missed, and she was a joy beyond  
imagining.

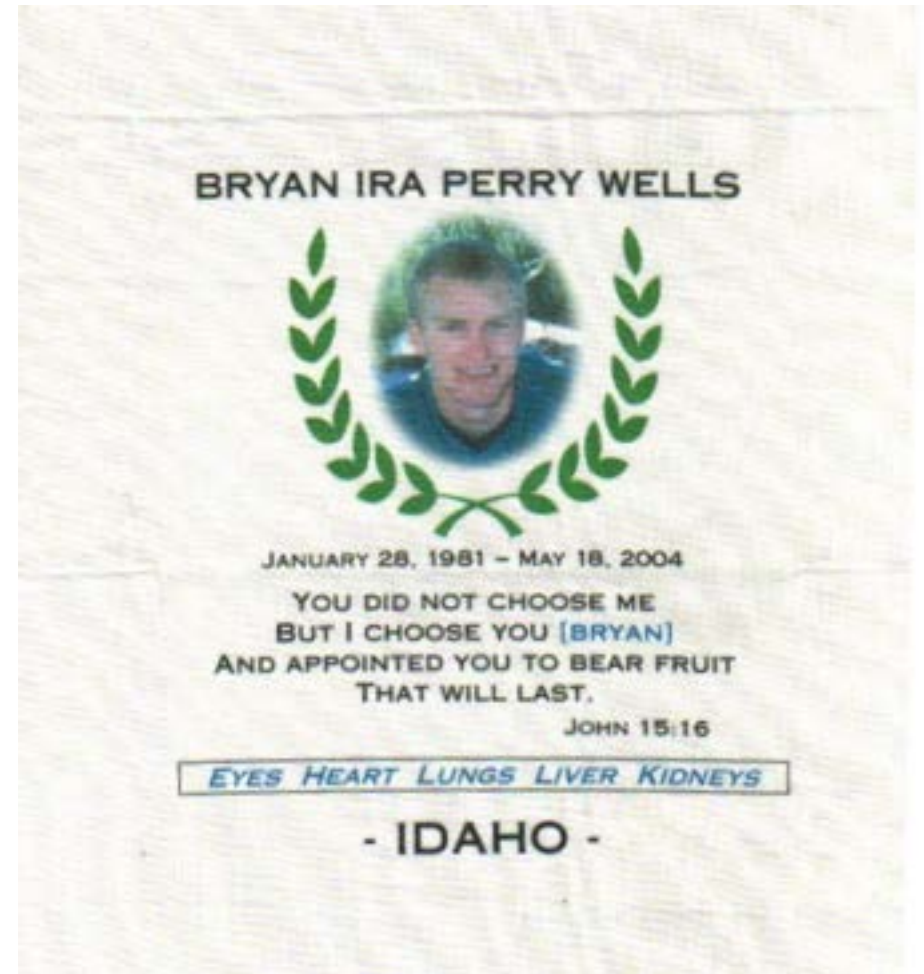




THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**BRYAN IRA PERRY WELLS**  
DONOR

Submitted and designed by Shirley Wells

Quilt 7, Block E6



# THREADS OF LIFE QUILT HONORING **MARIANNE BEAULIEU** DONOR

This quilt square represents my Mom as the center of our family. It honors her everlasting love for her children and grandchildren. Each tip of the 12-point star represents one of her children or grandchildren. The buttons represent activities that she enjoyed sharing with each member of her family. The fabric is remnants from a quilt made for her 70th birthday. Our sweet little Marianne was the best Mom and Grammy on Earth. People were drawn to her sweet, loving disposition. She had a heart full of love and expressed it openly and freely. She often said her children were the love of her life. She loved to cook, but mostly delighted in the act of feeding her family big tasty meals. She loved the color purple, her 2 cats, and the music of violinist Andre Rieu. My Mom was so generous in her life that being a donor upon her death is in keeping with her giving spirit. She taught all her children how to love unconditionally, forgive and forget, and show kindness to those we meet. These lessons are the greatest gifts that she could have ever given us.



Submitted and  
designed by Lyndia  
& Lisa (Daughters)  
and Natalie &  
Emily  
(Granddaughters).

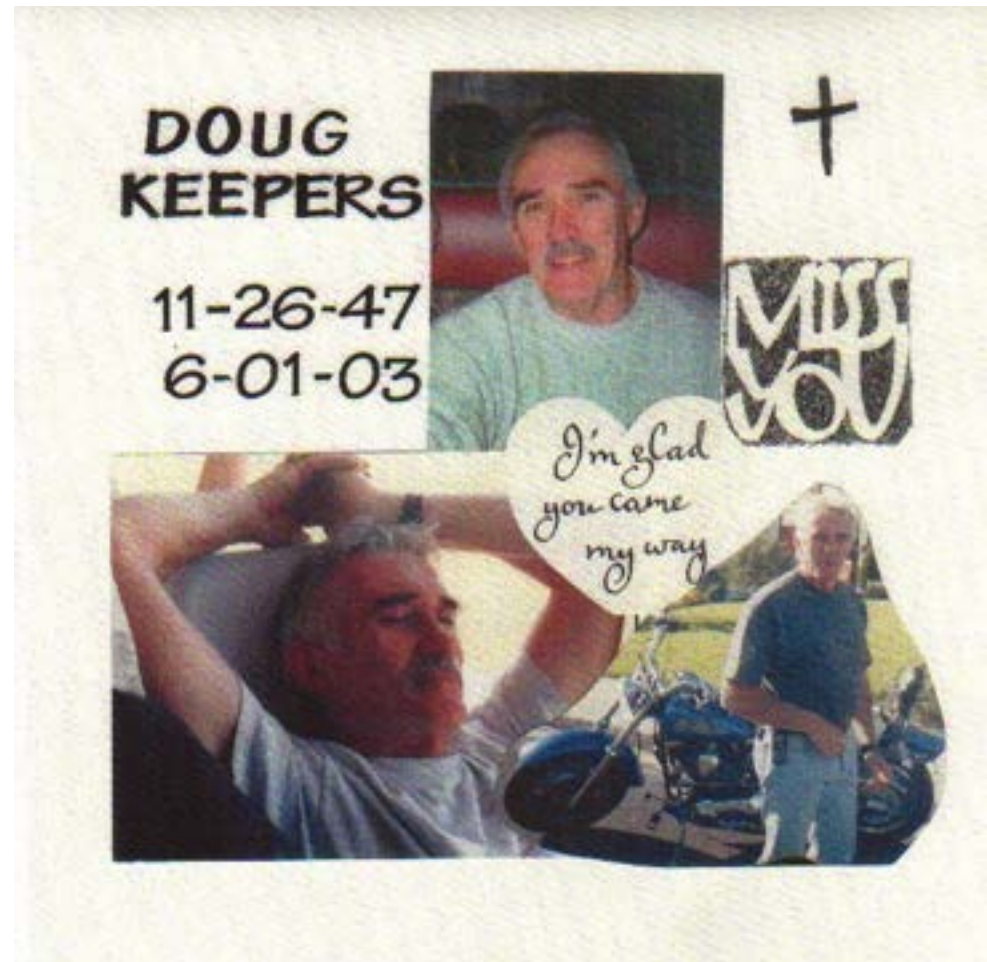
Quilt 7, Block F6



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**DOUG KEEPERS**  
DONOR

Submitted and designed by  
Cynthia Keepers (Wife).

Quilt 7, Block G6





THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**BRENDA VIOLET PROCTOR LARSON**  
DONOR

In memory of my mother, Brenda Violet Proctor Larson. Mother entered this life on February 2, 1910 in England. One reason I chose this fabric is for the violet in the center, which was her middle name. The cross represents her deep love for the Lord.

The hearts portray the love she gave and received. She was ready to meet her maker. She went quickly and without pain. She entered eternal life on March 24, 2004. As I held her in my arms, her last words were, —I am in the arms of Jesus now.



Submitted and designed by Carol Larson  
Johnson (Daughter).

Quilt 7, Block G6

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**MONTÉ DAVIS**  
LIVING DONOR  
**WANDA NERDRUM**  
RECIPIENT

In 1991 I was diagnosed with end-stage renal disease. I was told I would need dialysis or a transplant within a year.

My son, Monte Davis, was in the Army. His first response was, —Don't worry, Mom. I'm going to give you one of my kidneys.

He immediately set about trying to get stationed at Ft. Lewis to be closer to me. Four months later he had permission from the Army to donate his kidney and was sent to Ft. Lewis, Washington.

April 6, 1992, we were admitted to the same room at OHSU, and testing was finalized.

On April 7, 1992, the son I had given birth to gave my life back to me.



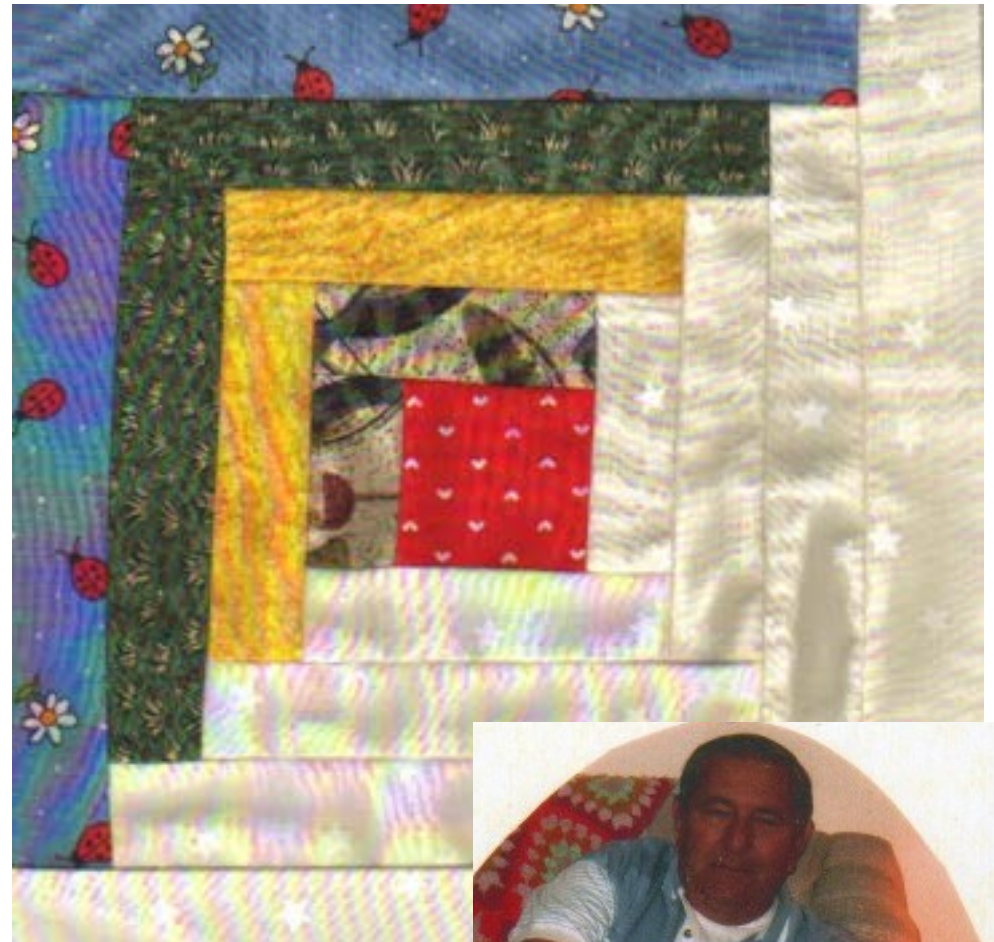
Submitted and designed Wanda Nerdrum  
(Recipient).

Quilt 7, Block A7



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**CHARLES DAVID LUMPKIN**  
DONOR

Charles David Lumpkin: 4/20/34 (Douglas, Georgia) – 12/7/04 (Boise, Idaho). I start with the center square always being red, full of love; then I went with fish, my dad loved to fish and hunt...next was easy, he had a heart of gold now he has gone to greener pastures. The stars on the side, he is looking down on us and always in our hearts. Husband, father, grandfather and friend. My dad was married for 49 years to his loving wife, Jessie who he loved very much and in this union they had 3 children, Derryl, Syliva and Pam and 2 grandchildren, Amanda and Melissa and 1 great grandson, Logan. All of his kids and mostly the grandkids could do no wrong. My dad spent 21 years in the Air Force serving his country. He went many places and loved Idaho, where he retired.



Submitted and designed by Pam Lumpkin  
(Daughter).

Quilt 7, Block B7





The square consists of a bright blue mixture of orbiting planets. In the center is unbleached muslin with a rocket in the center. The inner square is stitched in metallic gold thread. Phyllis Emery, a family friend, choose the space fabric. Phyllis and her granddaughter Brittany Woodin created the rocket. Donita Zwolak, sister-in-law of the donor, sewed the rocket and muslin square onto the space fabric.

Donna Pikl, wife of the donor coordinated the project and helped with the planning and trimming. Terri Pikl, daughter-in-law, did the printing and the outlining. The date of donor's gifts was July 27, 2004. He donated eyes, bones, joints and connective tissue. Dr. Otto —Gene Pikl was born in Kemmerer, Wyoming on October 2, 1934 and died July 27, 2004.

He graduated from the University of Wyoming in 1958 and was an Aerospace Engineer for many years working on most of the moon projects, including Skylab.

He later worked in the Silicon industry.

He earned Ph.D's from Kennedy Western University. Otto loved the outdoors, fishing, hunting and nature. He devoted much of his time to research and was a gifted artist.

He is greatly missed. He has 5 sons, Jeffrey, Brian, mark, Christopher and Joel. Otto was married to his wife Donna Rubel Pikl for a month shy of 45 years.

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**DR. OTTO GENE PIKL**  
DONOR



Submitted and designed by Donna Pikl.

Quilt 7, Block C7

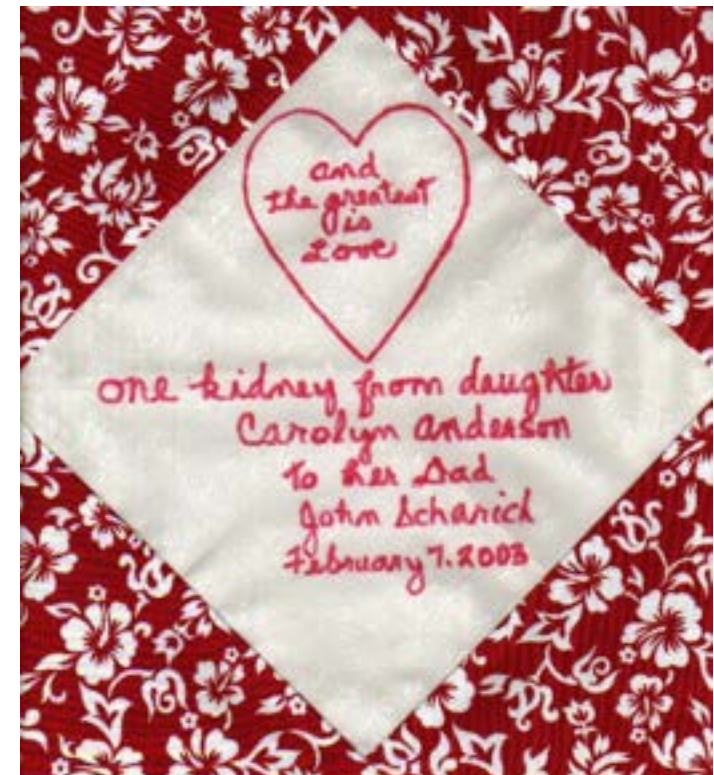
THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**CAROLYN ANDERSON**  
LIVING DONOR  
**JOHN SCHARICH**  
RECIPIENT

I am the adopted daughter of John Scharich. In 1959 I came to live with my mom and dad. All of my life my dad had roses and he trained me how to care for the gardens. When dad's kidney started to fail.

I pushed and encouraged him to find out about donation. At the class I knew I was O Positive and I wanted to give my kidney. So on February 7, 2003, I gave my left kidney to dad. It was a gift to see my dad improve so quickly.

Submitted and designed by Carolyn  
Anderson

Quilt 7, Block D7 & D9





THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**BRYCE RUSSELL MCNEELY, II**  
DONOR

Bryce Russell McNeely, II was born March 31, 1949 in New York, and moved to Washington State shortly after birth. He liked to be out in the wilderness. He served in the Vietnam War in the navy aboard the U.S.S. Providence. He worked at Weyerhaeuser Company for several years and decided to learn to drive a big truck at age 51. He went to almost every state in the United States in the truck. His favorite states were Montana and Tennessee. He loved to take off on his motorcycle by himself or with his brothers. His most recent love was his purple Harley Davidson that he refereed to as —Mistress. He was a kind and generous man to those who knew him. He worked hard at being a real tough guy and didn't let many people real close. He almost always wore black t-shirts and was a supporter of the Red & White. He was a man that always said what was on his mind.

Submitted and designed by Christine  
McNeely.

Quilt 7, Block E7



Two of the childhood memories that he told me about were his first day of kindergarten where he decided school wasn't for him and he didn't need or want to be there and decided to walk home. He didn't get very far. His mother happened to be waiting not far from the school and took him by the ear and marched him right back to school. Another story was about him and his dad out fishing in the sound. They were catching little sand sharks and he caught one that still had the baby connected to it. He took the baby home and put it in the bathtub. Well it almost worked until his mother decided to go in and take a bath. He was loved deeply by his wife and children and will be missed by his friends and family.

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**SEAN CHRISTOPHER PADRICK**  
DONOR

This square is dedicated to Sean Christopher Padrick 1977 - 1999, for giving the gift of life.

Submitted and designed by Jeremy Mickel  
(Recipient) and Family.

Quilt 7, Block F7





THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**HEIDI ANN KREMER**  
DONOR

Heidi Ann Kremer: May 23, 1966 – June 23, 1998. She has left us forever / And she is with us forever / The sorrow and joy simultaneously experienced awaken our hearts / Clarifying what is important in life and what has meaning. Heidi was a flower in the lives of her spouse, family and friends. The colorful flowers on this quilt square, embroidered by her maternal grandmother before she was born, celebrate and symbolize the spirit Heidi manifested in her lifetime and the renewal of life that her vital organs bestowed on others. We miss Heidi terribly, but are comforted by the truth that a spirit manifested is available to all forever.



Embroidered by (Heidi's maternal grandmother) Submitted by Alyce Kremer.

Quilt 7, Block G7

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**TERRY FUGATE**  
DONOR

This block was designed so that it would appear as though one were looking through a window and seeing flowers. The block is in memory for my younger brother Terry Fugate, who was born 4/21/1970 and passed away 9/03/2002. Terry was diagnosed with Duchene's Muscular Dystrophy at the age of seven. It is so very hard to try and sum up what Terry meant to all of us in just a few words. He was the most wonderful person I have ever had the privilege of knowing. He never complained about the disease that slowly crippled him, eventually taking his life. He lived life to its fullest, enjoying hobbies such as building model railroads and racing RC cars. Terry was such a loving and giving person, giving what he could at the end of his life, by being a donor for the Lion's Eye Bank of Oregon. May whomever received Terry's gift, look upon this world with his kindness, generosity and faith – and see the flowers.



Submitted and designed by Rene' Keller  
(Sister).

Quilt 7, Block H7



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**SHARON NOGGLE**  
RECIPIENT

This square represents all those who have opened their hearts to donate a kidney or any other organs to us individuals who need one to live awhile more. I had my kidney for 14 years, March 19, 2005, right on my real birthday, my best-ever birthday. I thanked the person for my transplant, but I don't know who he was. My donor was killed in an accident and was from Oregon; age 26 years old at the time. I got one kidney and another person got the other kidney. What an awesome help for two of us.



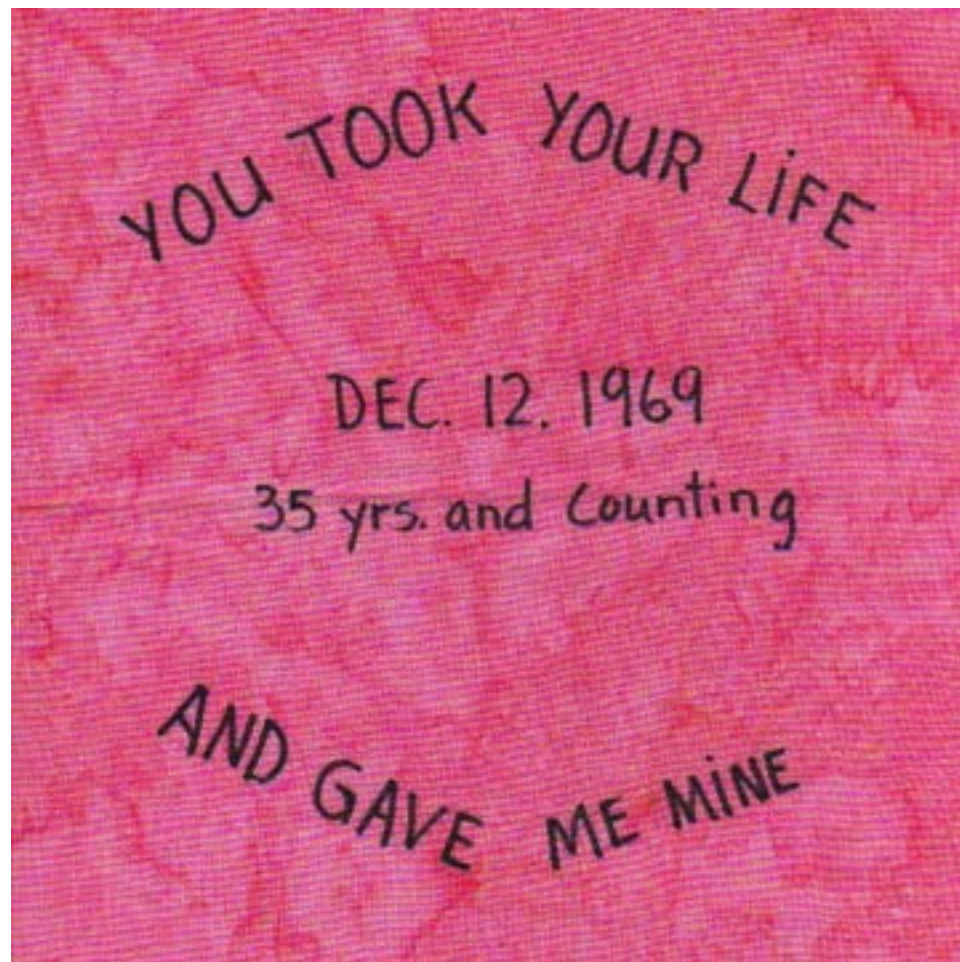
Submitted and designed by Sharon Noggle  
(Recipient).

Quilt 7, Block A8

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**LORRAINE DIMOFF (HERBERTSON) MATTOS**  
RECIPIENT

Submitted and designed by Lorraine Mattos  
(Kidney Recipient).

Quilt 7, Block B8





THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**JEFFREY RAYMOND SHARPE**  
DONOR

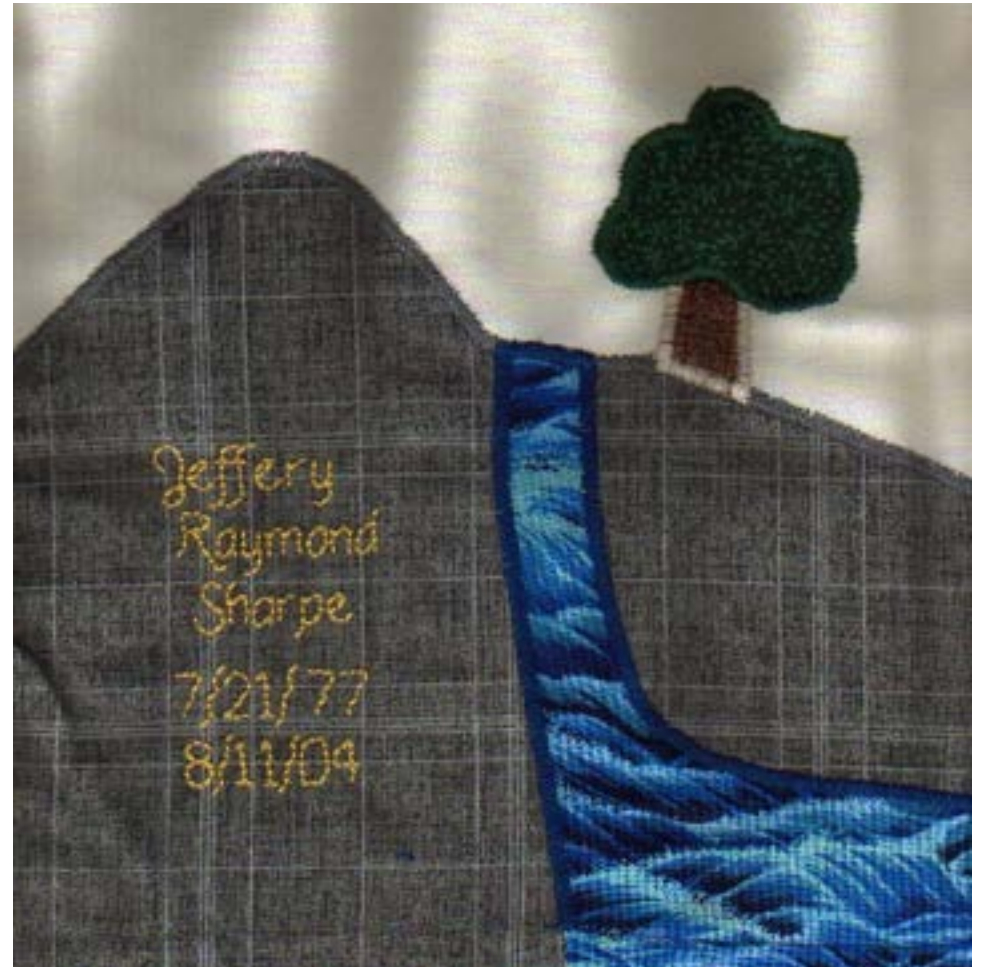
This quilt square is in honor of Jeffery Raymond Sharpe. The square is made to represent Jeff's love of the mountains and waterfalls. The tree trunk is made from a piece of his favorite chair.

Jeff was an eye donor. Jeffery loved waterfalls and mountains more than anything in the world.

He also had a deep love of poetry and was inducted into the Poetry Hall of Fame at an early age. At the time of his accident, he was a creative writing instructor at ITT in Portland, Oregon.

His undergraduate degree in psychology helped him counsel troubled youth in the Portland area during his spare time. He is deeply missed by his parents, sister, brother, niece, and nephews.

They are all very proud of his decision many years ago to be an organ and tissue donor and know that his gift of sight has helped others.



Submitted and designed by Cydnee Brady  
(Sister) and Ronald Darnell (Brother).

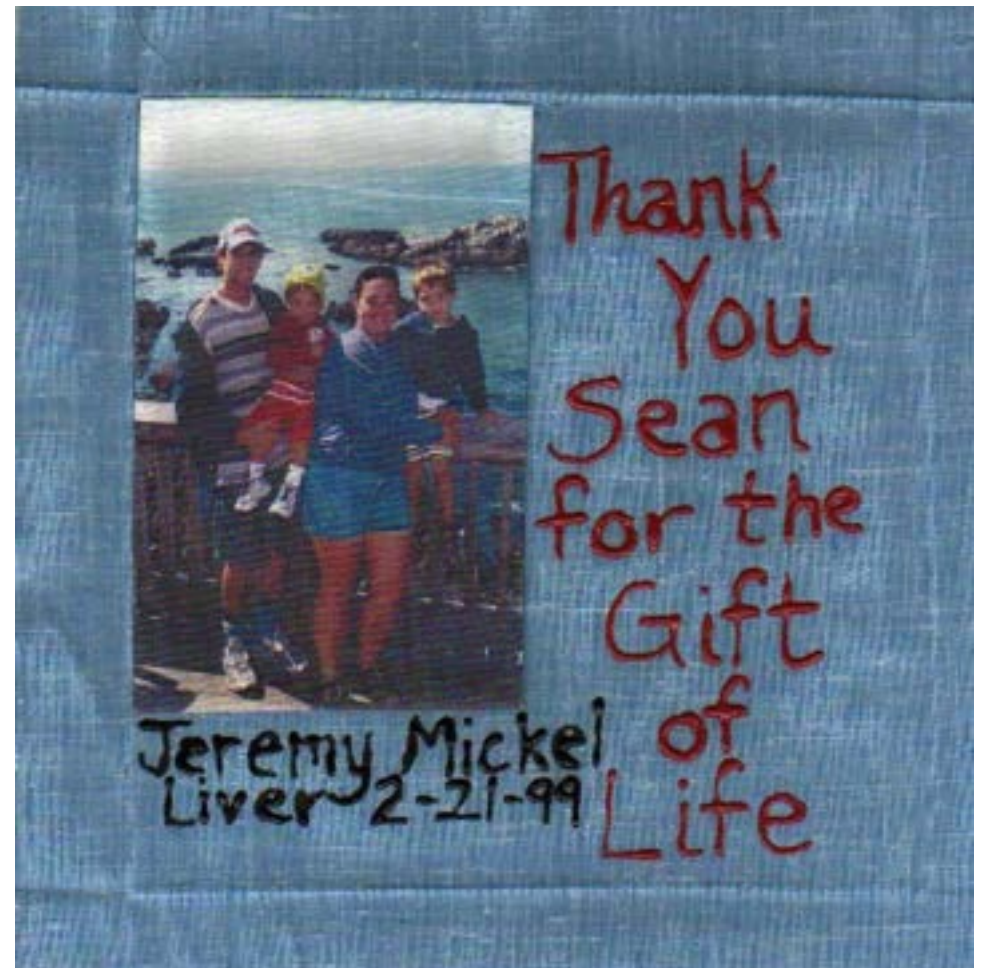
THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**JEREMY MICKEL**  
RECIPIENT

This square is dedicated to Jeremy T. Mickel, liver transplant recipient. He and his family are grateful for this gift of life.

February 21, 1999

Submitted and designed by the Jeremy Mickel Family.

Quilt 7, Block D8





THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**JOHN T. BEGERT**  
DONOR

John F. Begert passed away May 7, 2004 at age 77. He had 2 daughters, 5 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren. He was a volunteer fire fighter for over 50 years and served as Fire Chief during that time. He also served two years in the Navy during World War II. He loved to hunt and fish and was an avid gardener. He also enjoyed working in his wood shop with his grandson.

Submitted and designed by Marilyn J. Begert  
(Wife).

Quilt 7, Block E8



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**OWEN E. ANDREWS**  
FORMER LIVER TRANSPLANT CANDIDATE)

This quilt block is in remembrance of my brother, Owen Edward Andrews. He was in need of a liver transplant, but God came for him before he could receive one. Owen was 48 years old and was diagnosed with non-alcoholic liver failure, (NASH) in July of 2004. He was a veteran, who was honorably discharged from the Army. He was very proud of his military service. His family is not sure how he came to the point of liver failure. Owen was not a drinker nor a drug user. He was very much against them.

He was a logger by trade. He enjoyed the outdoors, and the activities that could be done in them; like camping, 4-wheeling, ATV's, fishing and hunting. That is why we as a family chose this design for our quilt block. After being told in July of 2004 that he would not live 6 months, we took him to the VA Hospital in Portland, Oregon to get a transplant. While waiting in ICU for 4 weeks, they were unable to get rid of the infections that he had and he died on December 1, 2004, while still waiting for a transplant. Since Owen passed away, we have heard of kidney transplants, lung transplant and other transplants, but we have not heard that much about liver transplants. Please make sure that liver transplants are mentioned and hopefully donors will be more plentiful for recipients in liver failure, as well as other recipients for kidneys, lungs, heart and etc



Submitted and designed by Tracy  
Glover, (Sister).

Quilt 7, Block F8

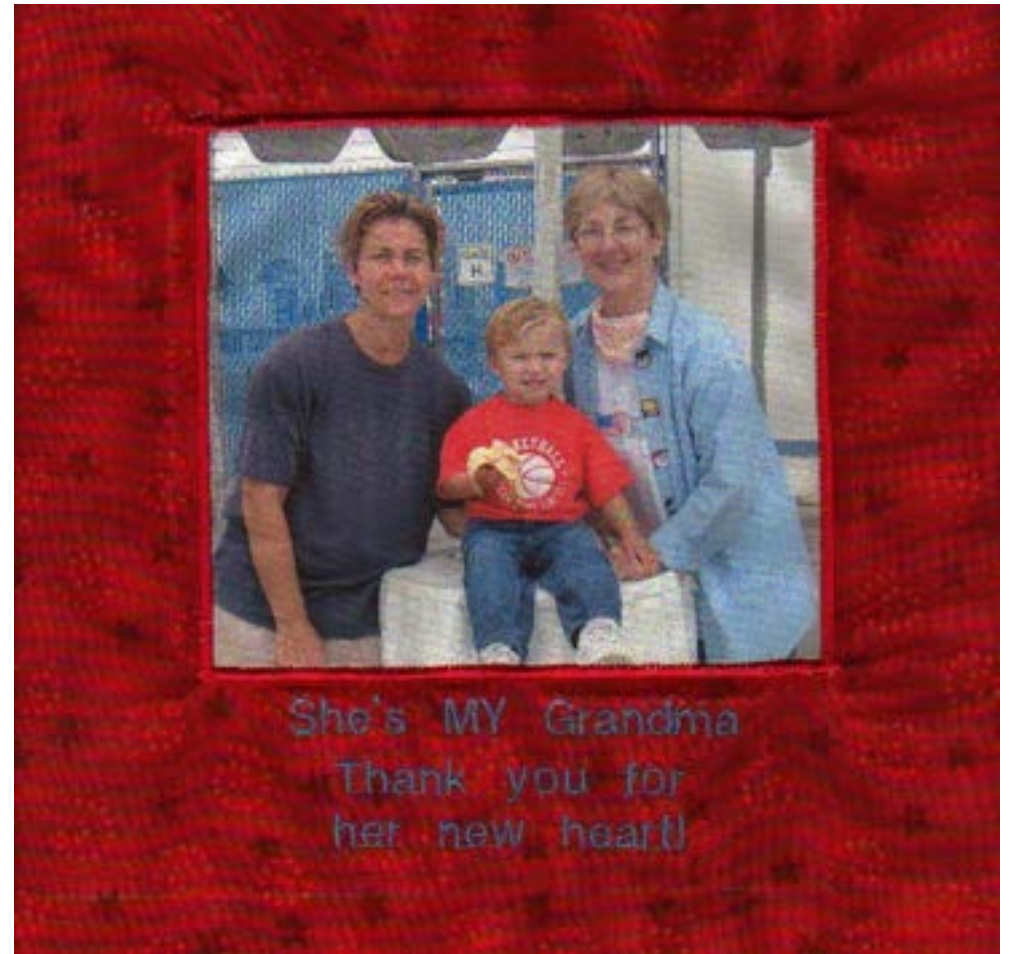


THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**CAROL MCLAUGHLIN**  
RECIPIENT

This square is dedicated to Jeremy T. Mickel,  
liver transplant recipient. He and his family  
are grateful for this gift of life.  
February 21, 1999

Submitted and designed by Carol McLaughlin  
(Recipient).

Quilt 7, Block G8



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**DEBRA ELLEN STEWART TRUMBULL**  
DONOR

Debra Ellen Stewart Trumbull: April 1, 1965 – July 26, 2004. This is the panel of Debra and the circles of life she created – sons, daughters and grandchild. The circles are of her children and grandson in their favorite colors. Debra was born in Long Beach, California on April 1, 1965 and died in Boise, Idaho on July 26, 2004.

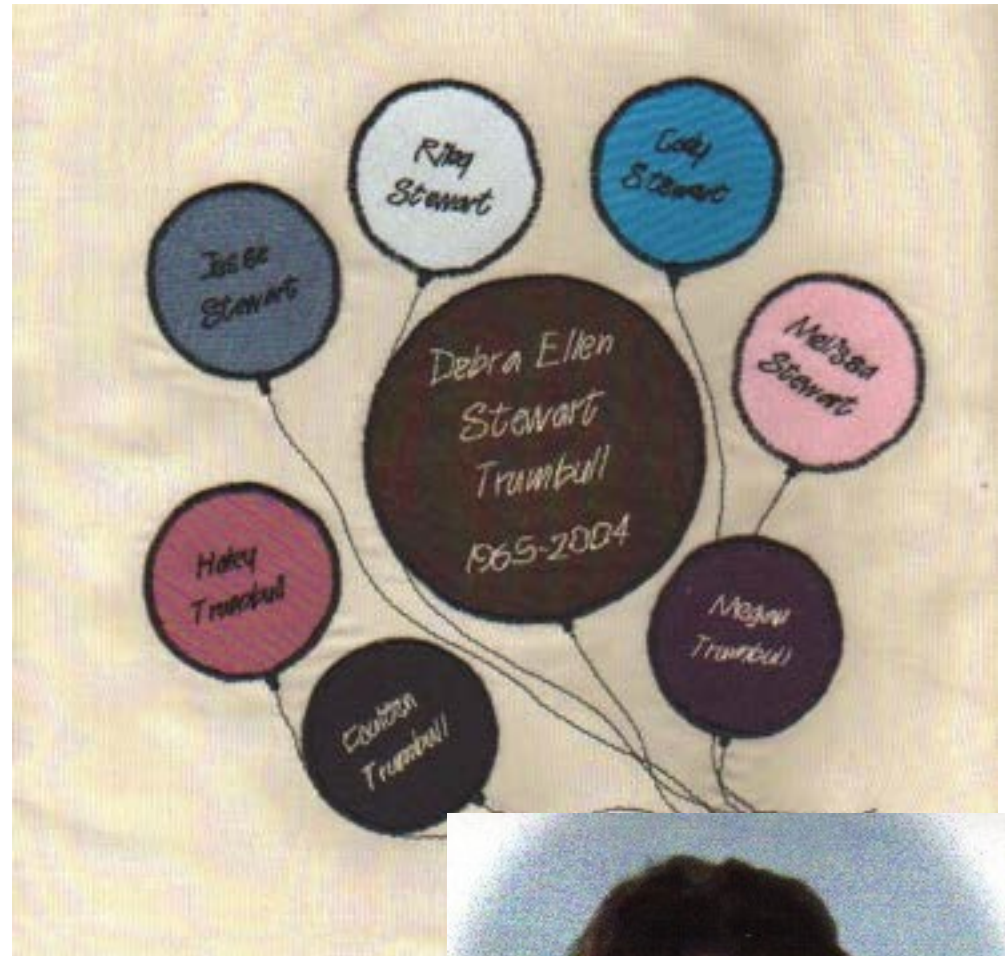
She has six wonderful children (Jesse, Cody, Melissa, Haley, Coulten, Megan) and a grandson (Riley). She lived life to the fullest and enjoyed it all. Her greatest treasurers were her children and grandson.

They were loved more than they will ever know. There is a part of her in each of them that will continue to live on after her passing.

I know she is near for she lives on within our hearts.

Submitted and designed by Patricia  
Desborough (Mother).

Quilt 7, Block H8





THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**SANDY METHEANY**  
RECIPIENT

I had a double lung transplant on June 24, 2003 at the age of 51 due to Cystic Fibrosis.

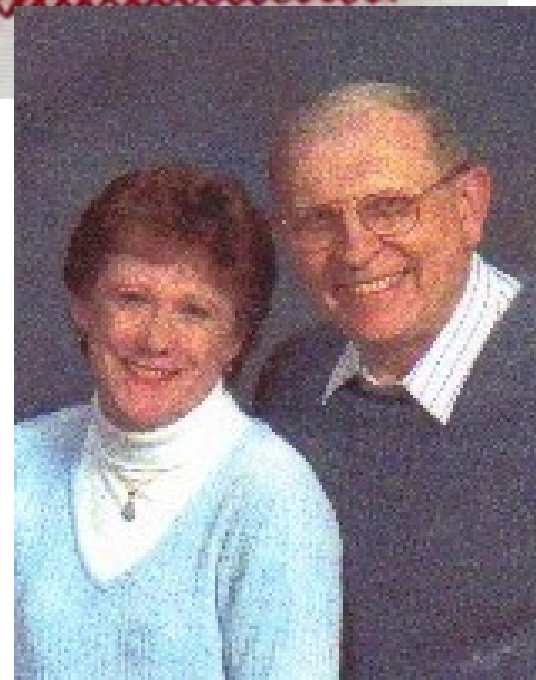
I live in Molalla, Oregon with my husband of 31 years. The Faith on my square represents my strong faith. Without it I could never have made it through my illness and transplant. The Hope is for my hope for a bright future. I wanted to see my first grandchild born. Braeden was born November 17, 2003, less than 5 months after my transplant. My next granddaughter is expected around Valentine's Day 2005. The Love is for all the Love of family and friends that helped me each step of my journey. And the love I have for my Creator and love of life. The butterfly represents new life.

I feel like a totally new person. I feel like I have been transformed and have been given a new chance at life - which I plan to live to the fullest! I am still trying to contact my donor family. Words cannot express the love and gratitude I have for them for giving me this chance to life. I love to do stained glass, make stepping stones, cross stitch, read, golf, fish, go camping, play with grandkids (that's the best!) We now have new 4-wheelers just waiting to be ridden. LIFE IS GREAT!!!



Submitted and  
designed by  
Sandy Metheany.

Quilt 7, Block A9



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**LAURA LEE PETERSON**  
RECIPIENT

This quilt square is in honor of my friend Laura Lee Peterson. She had a kidney transplant December 4, 1998. Laura and I started working together approximately 7 years ago; right from the beginning we were good friends. We had fun everyday. Laura also became a friend of my family. Laura has a remarkable sense of humor. Her sense of humor has never failed her, even in the toughest times. She is a fighter, and doesn't give up. She finds solutions to problems where other would just throw in the towel; she never gives up or feels sorry for herself. Laura has so many good qualities; she is an incredible giving person. She will help in anyway she can, even if she is feeling exhausted, and she keeps working. I admire Laura's courage and faith, and her willingness to push on, determined—knowing she makes a difference in so many lives. She is a positive force in many people's lives, not just mine. Laura's two beautiful granddaughters give her strength and extra meaning for everything. I admire Laura and hold her dear to my heart as a truly wonderful friend and feel so lucky to have her in my life.



Submitted and designed by Marjorie  
Burgher (Friend).

Quilt 7, Block B9

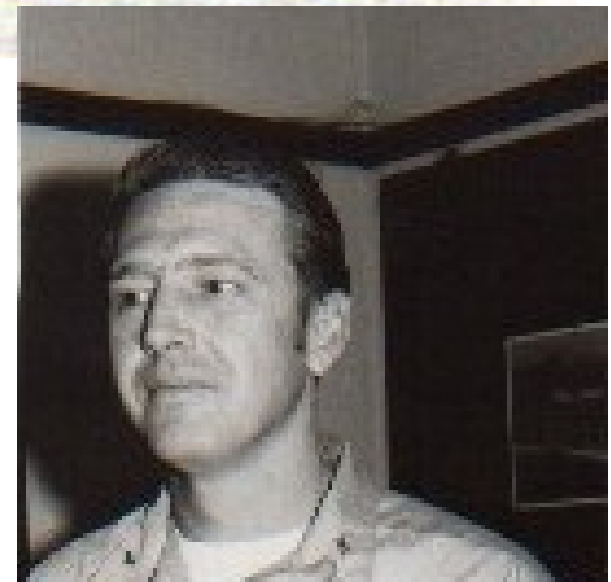


THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**SHIRLEY “RAY” BEEZLEY**  
DONOR

C.W.O. 3 Shirley —Ray|| Beezley was born in Baxter Springs, Kansas on January 26, 1937. He joined the Navy in 1954 in Portland, Oregon. He served on several aircraft carriers with his squadrons. Ray retired in 1974. After his retirement he moved back to Oregon. Ray passed away on February 4, 2004 in Umatilla, Oregon. He leaves his wife Ruth, three daughters, nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He loved fishing and hunting and driving on long trips.

Submitted and designed by Ruth Beezley  
(Wife).

Quilt 7, Block C9



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**MARGARET RUTH BARDASCH**  
DONOR

My mother, Margaret Ruth Bardasch, suffered from macular degeneration for the last seven years of her life. However, her complaints were few. Though her eyes were less than perfect, her mind was like a steel trap right up to the moment of her death.

She was a voracious reader and haunted the Corvallis library looking for large-print books.

I know that my mother would be pleased to know that her eyes might be of help to researchers of macular degeneration.



Submitted and designed by Susan Bardasch  
Marneau (Daughter).

Quilt 7, Block E9



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
HONORING  
**RODNEY W. WITTMERS**  
DONOR

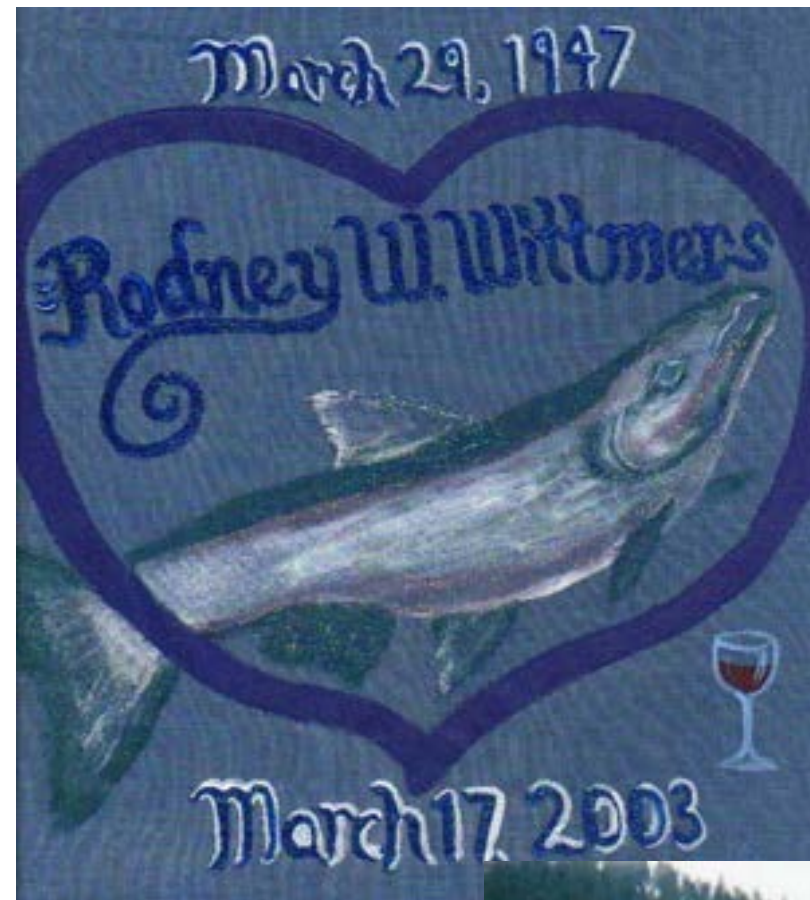
Rodney W. Wittmers worked at Rogue Valley Medical Center for 10 years. Previously we lived on the Peninsula in San Mateo. Rod was an EKG technician and a very good one.

He was a generous loving person.

He was an award winning winemaker as well as a great fisherman. (He caught huge fish!) He also was a gourmet cook; someone like Emeril Lagasser because Rod was Italian.

We were married 30 years on 2/17/04, the best years of my life. He had my wedding ring redone for our anniversary.

It is beautiful. I miss him very much.



Submitted and designed by Nancy C.  
Wittmers.

Quilt 7, Block F9



THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**DIANE STEVENSON**  
RECIPIENT

Submitted and designed by Diane Stevenson  
(Recipient).

Quilt 7, Block G9

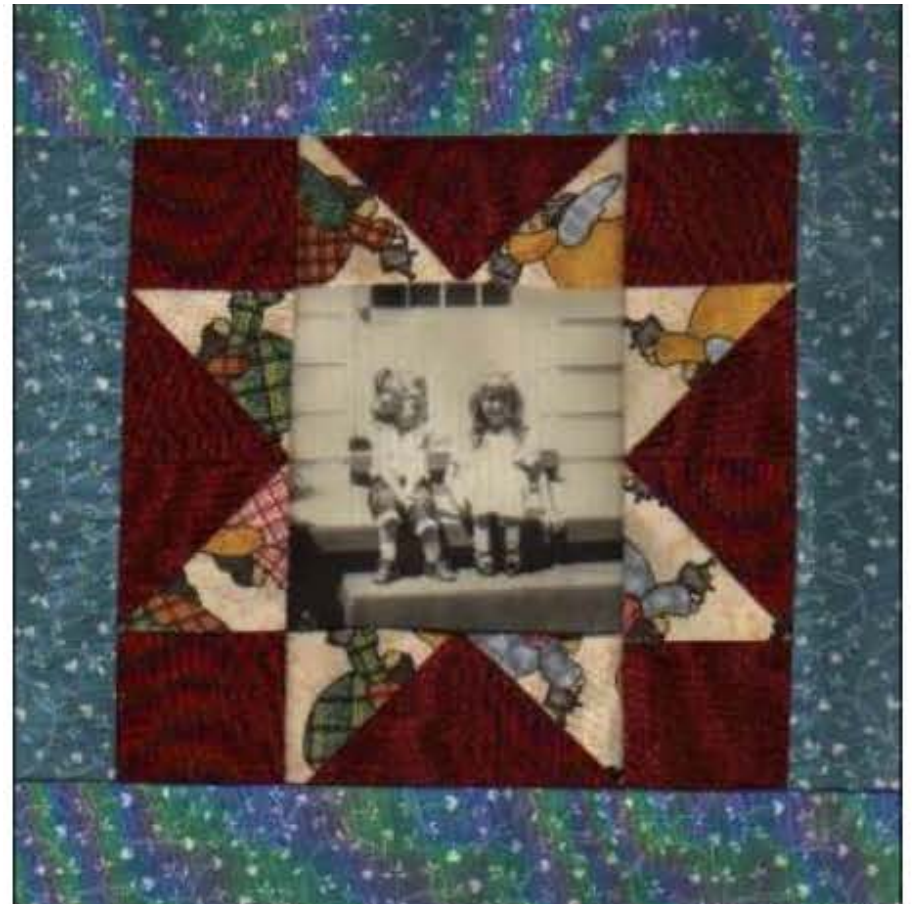




This quilt square was designed by the donor's daughter Sara Buchholz and sewn by living donor Cheryl Misner to honor her gift of a kidney to sister Barbara Kuhlman. Two sisters that grew up the best of friends, they shared everything. We wanted our quilt square to depict the love in all our family and how it affects everyone involved. As a family we've remained close, through teenage troubles to having our own children. Then as time went on sister Nancy's kidneys failed and she received a kidney transplant 7 years ago.

We were all blessed with being able to care for our mother in her home after a significant stroke that left her with paralysis. During this time Barbara's kidney's finally failed after 14 years of declining kidney function that originated from loss of a pregnancy. She began peritoneal dialysis...a very difficult time, as she was plagued with infections. Now we have another thing the sisters could share the gift of a normal life. On January 9, 2004, even though the city was at a standstill with an ice and snowstorm, the two met at OHSU and a successful transplant was done. We now have a healthier and happier future to spend together with all our family.

THREADS OF LIFE QUILT  
CELEBRATING  
**CHERYL MISNER**  
LIVING DONOR  
**BARBARA KUHLMAN**  
RECIPIENT



Submitted and designed by Sara Buchholz  
(Donor's Daughter) & Cheryl Misner (Living  
Donor).

Quilt 7, Block H9



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