

Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Walter B. Idler (Recipient)



Walter received a new heart June 2, 1991. Walter is a native Washingtonian and was in the Navy during the Korean War Conflict on a destroyer escort. He worked for Cascade Corp. for 16 years, before becoming self-employed in an industrial chrome plating shop. He played baseball and fast-pitch softball for 23 years. He loves to fish and also has participated in the sport of bowling for many years. Walter has 11 kids, 16 grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Walter went back to work three months after his transplant and is still working at the time of this writing, but hopes to retire at the age of 65 in July 2000.

Quilt Square Designed and Submitted by Walter's daughter, Minta

Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Jon Sportsman (Recipient)



Jon worked until transplant time even though he had only 10 percent total lung capacity left. He missed only nine working days when he had his lung transplant in June 1995, and worked seven hours the day he left the hospital. Jon has been an inspiration to his friends, family and coworkers as he lives life to the fullest. I told Jon that he's the only person I know of that could actually make having a lung transplant fun! It was the time of our lives. When we found out that he was going on the transplant list it was near his birthday. I asked him if he'd like to have a new robe and pajamas for transplant time. His answer, "Are you kidding? When I wake up, I want to see a pair of Air Jordan running shoes sitting next to my bed. I won't need the robe."

Quilt Square Designed and Submitted by Jon's wife, Tawny

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Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Brian Jack Robinson (Donor)



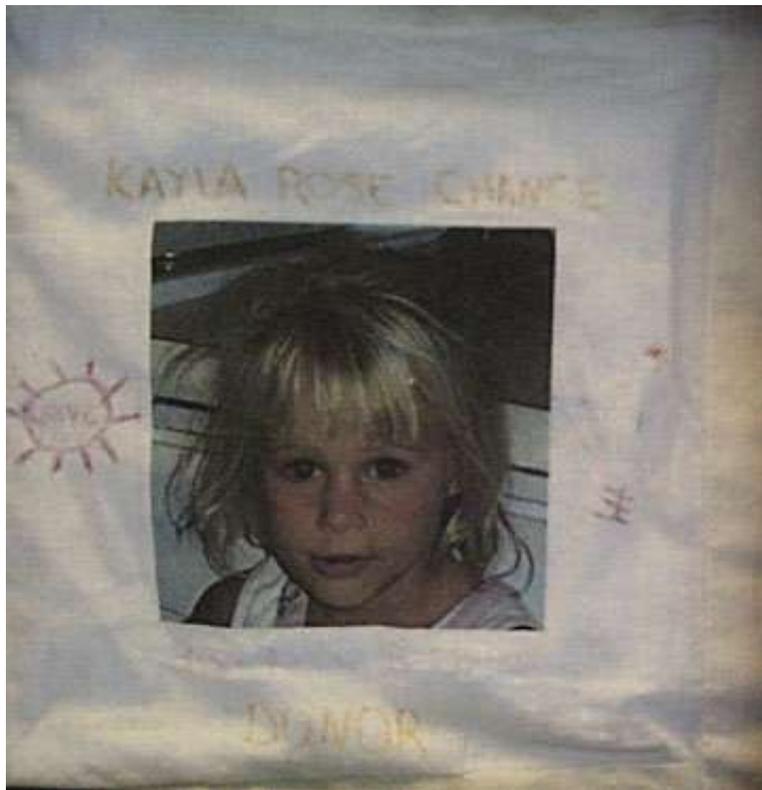
Brian was a terrific kid; he loved life and was always happy and smiling. He was a great son, brother and friend; Brian demonstrated true kindness, compassion and even wisdom at such a young age. He loved baseball; it was his passion. Every spring I am reminded how much it was a part of him, who he was and still is. Brian died in 1993 and was an organ donor.

Quilt Square Designed and Submitted by Leslie, Brian's mom

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Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Kayla Rose Chance (Donor)



It is so hard to say so much in such few words. We miss Kayla very much still, and it has been almost 5 years, at this time, since she died. She was a happy girl and loved everyone around her. She loved to argue with her older sister Cari and loved to play with her other sister, Randi. Kayla loved to talk and I think she somehow knew she only had so long because she sure could talk a lot. She did not like to wear shoes so she always had dirty feet. Kayla loved to make snow angels when it snowed. Now we have our own angel in heaven. Kayla was born Aug. 31, 1990 and died Aug. 22, 1995. She died a week before her 5th Birthday. Kayla was a donor and her heart went to a little boy and last we heard he is still doing just fine. Her kidneys and eyes were also donated. Kayla was a very special little girl and loved by many people. Her parents still miss her and we will always miss that blond hair and her blue eyes that were so full of life. She had such a wonderful smile.

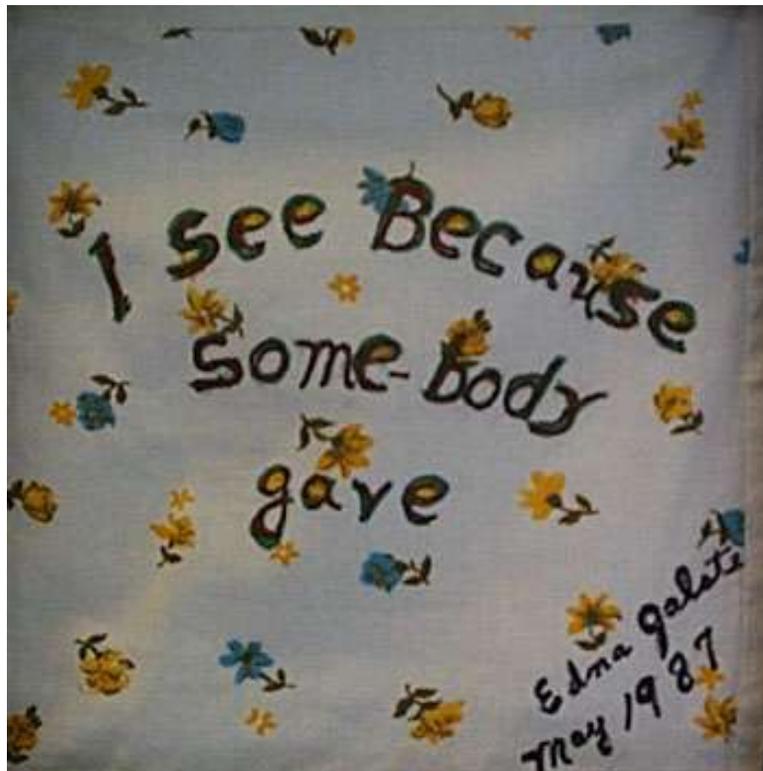
(By Barbara, Kayla's Grandma)

Quilt Square Designed and Submitted by Barbara, Cari and Randi

1B3 and 1H8



Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Edna Galster (Recipient)



I'm a true Oregonian; born and raised in this State. I have been a very active person. I worked as a C.N.A. until I was 75 years old. At age 84 (at this writing) I still keep my own home and am doing all the work inside and out. I am truly blessed and thankful for my cornea transplant in 1987, and for my gift of sight.

Quilt Square Designed and Submitted by Edna Galster

1B7



Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Freda Drexelius (Recipient)



I feel I have been greatly blessed because a donor gave me a new cornea in May 1995. I may now see well again. God Bless all the donors and thank you for the great group of caring people who made this possible.

Quilt Square Designed and Submitted by Freda Drexelius

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Honoring
Ray Cowell (Recipient)



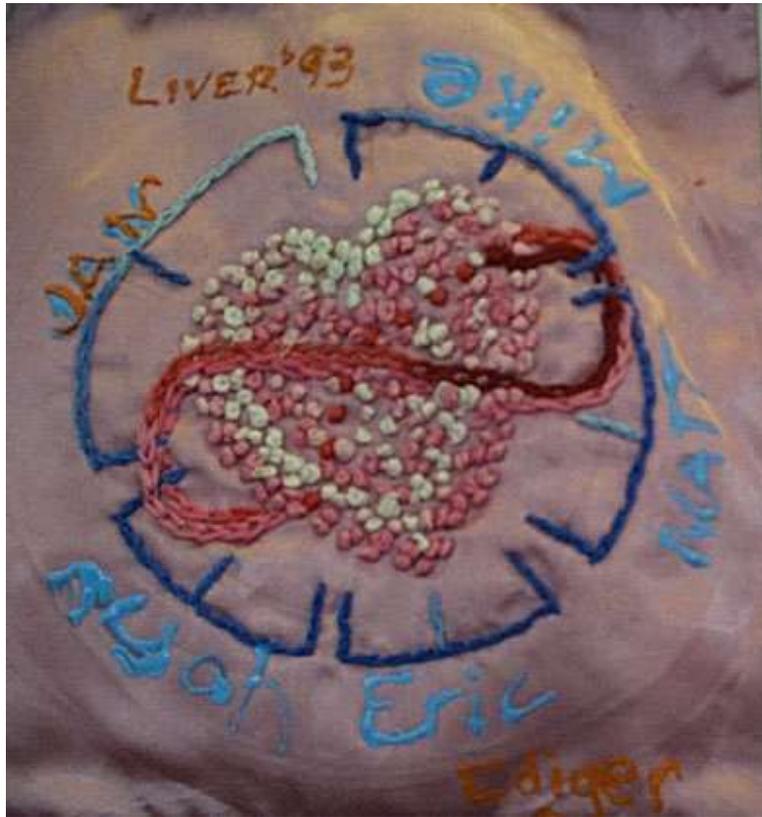
Ray did very well after his heart transplant in 1991; he really enjoyed his new gift of life. He died of melanoma cancer six years later. The new heart gave us many good years we would not have had without it. I will always be grateful for the additional time we had together. (By Charlotte Cowell)

Quilt Square Designed and Submitted by Charlotte Cowell

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Honoring
Jan Ediger (Recipient)

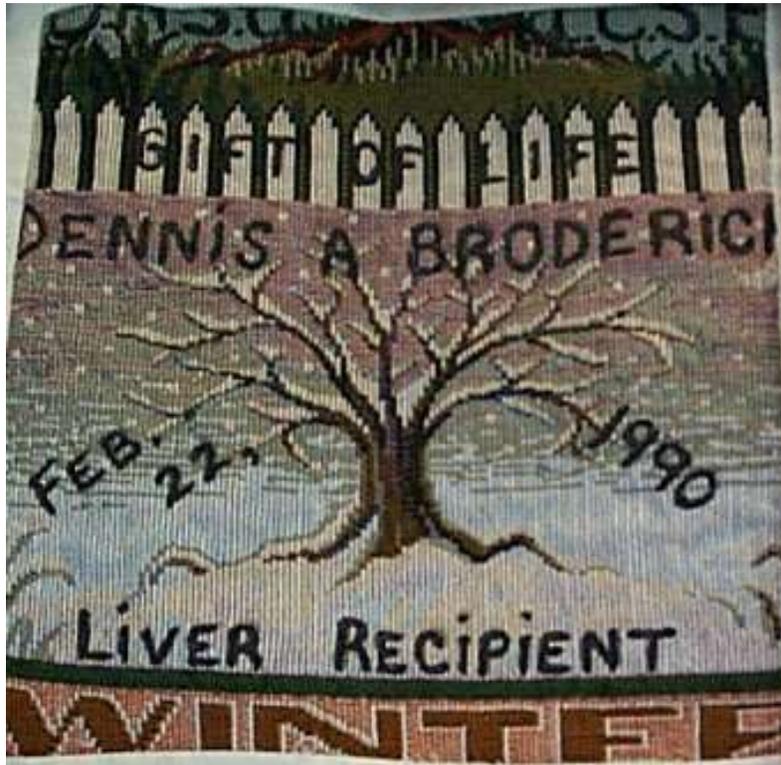


I am now a mother of three irrepressible boys. My children have never known me when I haven't been ill. I began my career as an educator and later worked in research. I love deeply and intensely. I also believe that insanity is entirely underrated especially when dealing with children. If I were an angel, I would be the one who makes babies giggle for no reason and makes you look in that one, remote place for lost things.

1C1



Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Dennis Broderick (Recipient)



This square was designed to honor both Dennis Broderick and his donor. We do not know who the donor was, except that they were similar in several ways physically and they both were truck drivers. We wrote to the family to give our sincere wishes and thanks, but have not had a response. We hope they do accept our love and gratitude. We have been so blessed in that Dennis was so sick for many years and then an angelic phone call came and gave Dennis a new chance at life! He is unable to do what he loved to do, which was to drive a cement barrel truck, but he is very happy to be here and enjoy life one day at a time. At this time, Dennis has been able to be with us an additional 10 years. He received his liver transplant in Feb. 1990. We send thanks to the donor family and the Lord every day.

Quilt Square designed and submitted by Dennis and Barbara Broderick.

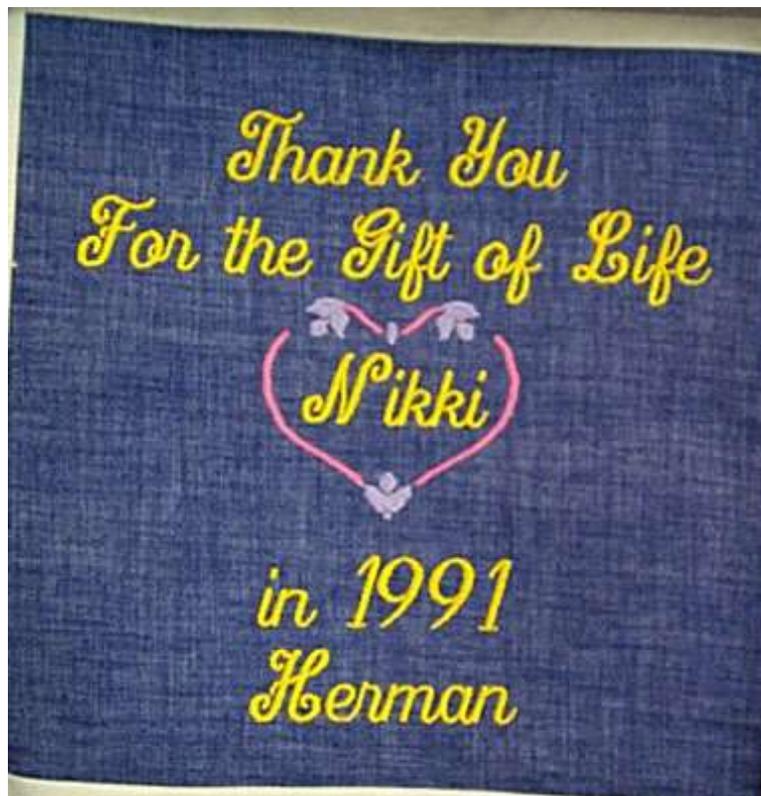
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Honoring
Myrtle Williamson (Recipient)



Myrtle was born in Oct. 1912. She taught school at the Washington State School for the Blind for 16 years. She had four children, eleven grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren. She had double corneal transplants after she retired. Myrtle will always be grateful to the Lion's Club and to Dr. Tanne for restoring her vision. She still does church work and calling and every Wednesday she places labels on the weekly church newsletter.

Quilt Square designed and submitted by Jeanie Lorenz, daughter

Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Nikki Larson (Donor) and Herman Schock (Recipient)



This square honors Nikki Larson. In July 1990, due to diabetes, my kidneys were no longer functioning properly and I was initiated into the disciplines and rewards of dialysis. After eight months and numerous tests, I was fortunate enough to become a possible candidate for a kidney transplant. An accident of a young girl, which brought deep sorrow and grief to a wonderful family, also brought a miracle to my own life. Not a day goes by that I do not think about them. We recently noted the ninth anniversary of the transplant. I will be eternally grateful.

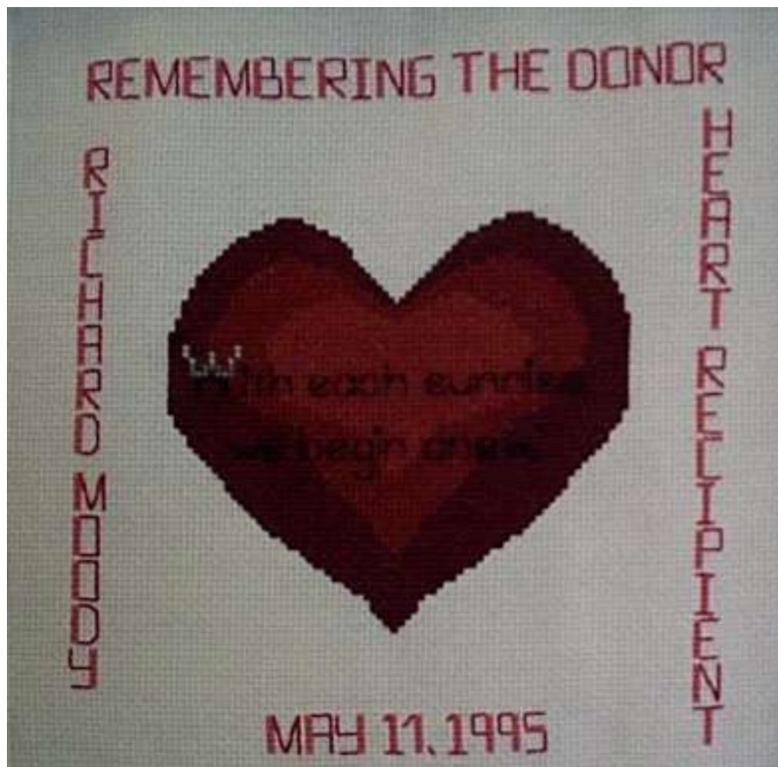
(By Herman Schock)

Quilt Square designed and submitted by Emma Schock, Herman's wife.

1D1



Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Jennifer Schultz (Donor) and Richard Moody (Recipient)



Jennifer was a bright, energetic college student. She left us young. The bravery and thoughtfulness her family used in donating her organs are forever remembered.

Quilt Square designed and submitted by Richard Moody

Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Stan Bahr (Recipient)



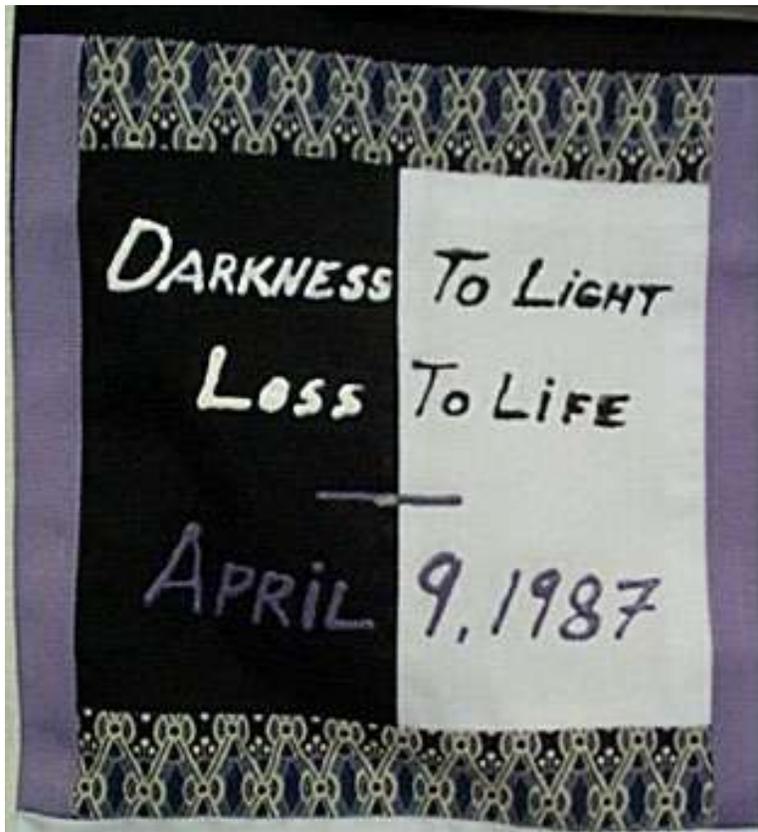
Stan was a very loving family man. He was raised on a farm in Minnesota and he served in the US Navy for 4 years. He had his own landscaping business and his work still is admired in the Beavercreek Oregon area as well as others. He was also a talented welder and builder; he built our home after his heart transplant in 1990. He was so grateful for his second chance at life. His children and I miss Stan very much. He took such pleasure in the simple things in life, planting and raising berries and his garden. He crammed a lot of living into the last five years of his life, after his transplant. I felt he should be honored by a quilt square because transplant recipients and the families of donors, are very brave people that learn to appreciate life to its fullest. Material things and money means nothing if there is no life and no quality of life. Stan and I met when I was 16 years old and he was 21. He was and is the only love of my life. We were married 36 years. He worried about what would happen to his family during and after his transplant, and never about himself. He was a very good person. (By Mrs. Dolores Bahr)

Quilt Square designed and submitted by Dolores Bahr, wife

1D8



Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Janis Brewer (Recipient)



The family of my kidney donor was incredibly courageous. Even though I've never met them I think of them often and thank them for making the most unselfish decision of all. I received my kidney in April, 1987.

Quilt Square designed and submitted by Janis Brewer

Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Sharon Strickland (Recipient)



Sharon Strickland was born with a heart defect. She was ten before the doctors had an idea of what her problem might be. It was thought she had a hole in the ventricular wall. During open heart surgery Dr. Albert Starr discovered other complications. A temporary 'fix' served her well until her middle forties, when trouble again began to plague her. A heart transplant was needed in order to make life healthy again. After a three-month wait in 1994, a successful surgery was performed and

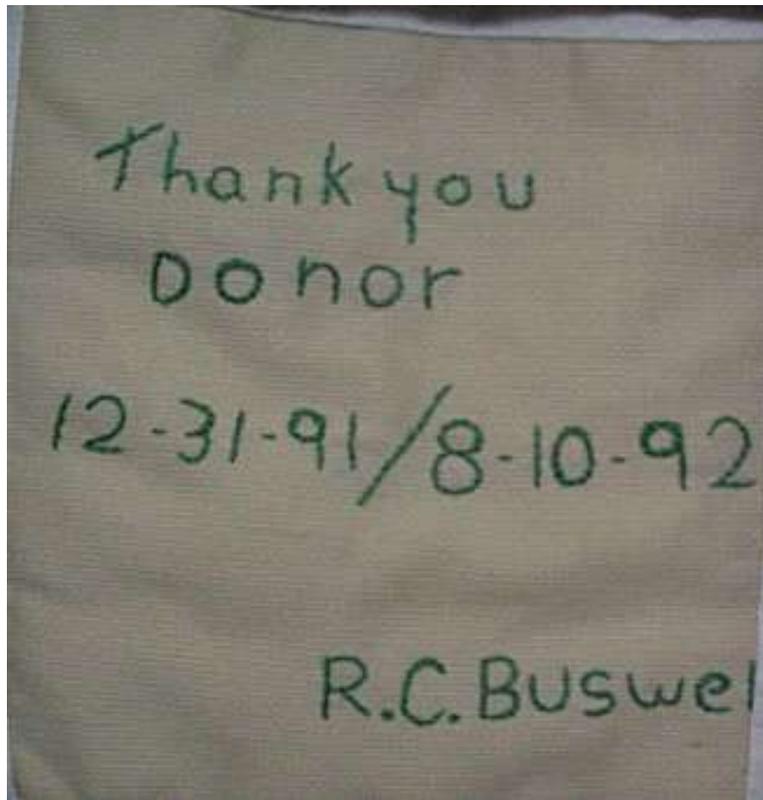
Sharon is doing well today. She works full time in the educational system with elementary and middle school students and spends her summers riding horseback, fishing, and enjoying a health she never had before. Sharon says words cannot express the gratitude and humility one feels at receiving the gift of a transplant. It has always been her belief that *things* are not the most important things in life, and something like this just reinforces that belief.

Quilt Square designed by Jeff Lewis and friends in Eugene, and submitted by Sharon Strickland

1E6 and 1F7



Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Robert Buswell, Sr. (Recipient)



Bob was a World War II bomber pilot and after the war joined the Oregon State Police Dept. for 30 years. He retired in 1977. He loved to help others. He drove a school bus part time, did security work and volunteered at the Senior Services until his wife retired and then they traveled in their trailer for five years. He received a double corneal transplant. Bob and his wife, Olga celebrated their 50th anniversary. Bob died in Aug. 1998 of cancer.

Quilt Square designed and submitted by Olga Buswell, wife

1E9



Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Sharon Noggle (Recipient)



On my birthday, in Mar 1991, I received the gift of life and received a kidney from a donor. It was the best birthday present I ever received. The donor was 26 years old and in an accident of some kind. I wrote a thank you note to the donor family through the nurse at OHSU, and received a note back from them. I am very grateful. The donor's other kidney went to another person, thus, helping two of us lead good healthy lives. (By Sharon Noggle)

Quilt Square designed and submitted by Irene Brink, friend.

1E10



Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
JoAlan Johnson (Donor)



JoAlan was a child with a big heart. He always had a smile even when he felt sad. He loved his little sister very much (she was five when he passed away in May 1995). He loved people and was always willing to help anyone in need. He was an inspiration to everyone.

Quilt Square designed and submitted by Mulino School.

1F4



Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Larry Huot (Recipient)



Larry was born in Canada and was transferred to the US by his company in 1970. The first thing I noticed about Larry was that he always found something good in everyone and never said negative things about anyone. He was a good husband, father, and just adored his grandchildren.

Larry was involved in many good causes, but most of his time was devoted to Rotary and their many programs. One of his “jobs” was working on the program to eradicate polio throughout the world. In fact, after his death, Rotary International named a clinic/lab in Nigeria in his name. He was Rotary District Governor in 1984/85 and started the districts’ Rotary Youth Leadership Awards camp for 18 to 26 year old young adults and that camp is still going strong.

The square is of an angel. This was done because, after waiting many months for a new liver, his granddaughter asked Santa Claus for a new liver for her “poppa.” He received one two weeks later and so Larry said Megan was his guardian angel-thus the angel in the square.

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Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Lucia Piccolo (Recipient)



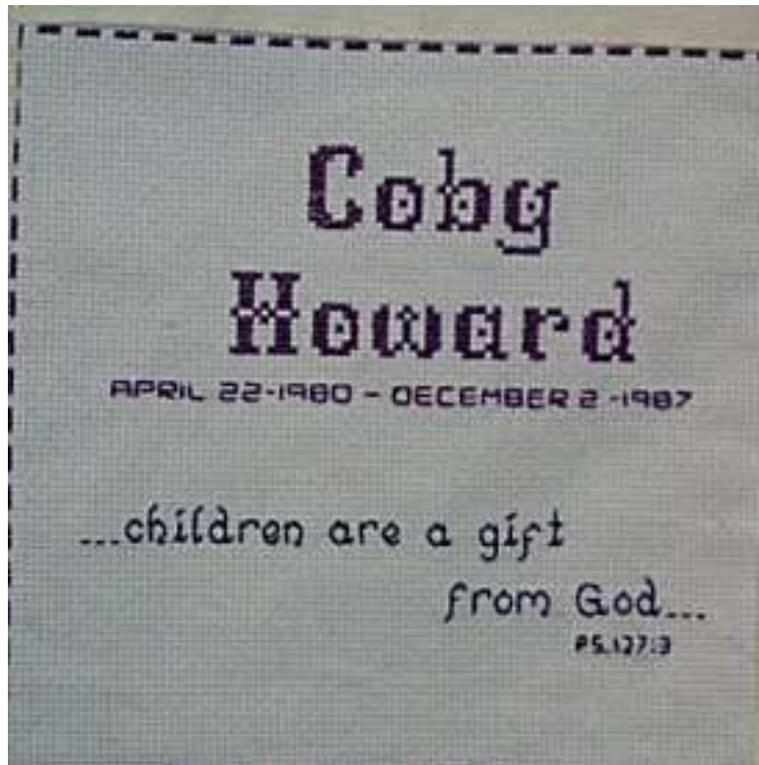
I was born in Naples Italy. I came to the USA when I was 13. I have been married to the same man for over 40 years, and we have been blessed with four beautiful children and three precious grandchildren. I consider my donor my guardian angel and constantly thank that generous soul for the priceless gift of life, and for being able to be here today. Lucia received her liver transplant in April, 1993.

Quilt Square designed and submitted by Lucia Piccolo

1G1



Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Coby Howard



Coby died at seven years old of leukemia. Coby was a brave and happy child. He had an infectious giggle that would make nearly anyone smile when they heard it. He loved his family, scary movies, fishing with his dad, and sports.

Coby died while awaiting a bone marrow transplant. His insurance was through the State of Oregon's Medicaid program and they did not cover bone marrow transplants at that time. Coby's plight received national attention due to the nature of the health care delivery systems. After Coby's death, Oregon implemented a Health Care Plan that has since covered most transplants for children. We will always remember Coby and his spirit lives in each of us.

Quilt Square designed and submitted by Susan McGee, Aunt

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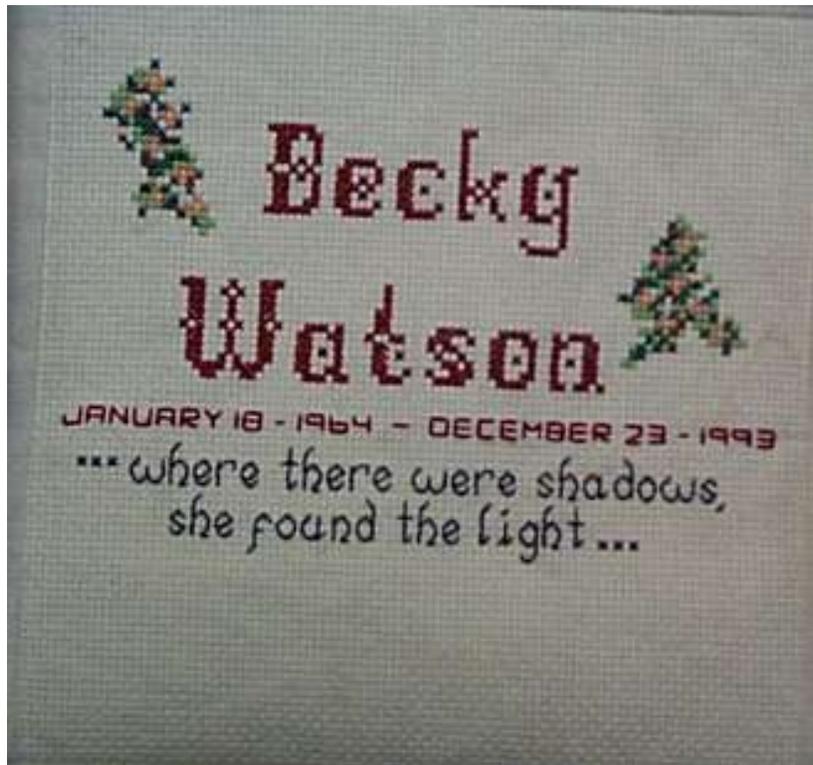
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Honoring
Marc Hanna (Donor)



Marc Hanna died in October, 1995. He was an organ donor. Marc was a sensitive, caring individual who wanted to help others.

Quilt Square designed and submitted by Beckie Elton

Threads of Life Quilt
Honoring
Becky Watson



Becky never let her illness keep her from helping others. She was involved with helping others like herself, awaiting organ transplants. She worked tirelessly at fund raising events and helped others emotionally and physically who were ill. She was a caring mother, and daughter. She was able to have 7 years with her daughter, Brandy. Becky died in 1993 while awaiting a heart/lung transplant.

Quilt Square designed and submitted by Susan McGee, friend



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Honoring
Lee O. Foster (Donor)



Lee was a devoted father who had a very special relationship with his daughter, Lea. She often describes him as her best friend, with whom she could talk about almost anything. He loved the outdoors and was an avid fisherman. He would spend hours pouring over aerial photography looking for any wet spot on the map that he could drive to and check out. Lee was honorably discharged from the National Guard as a 2nd Lieutenant and retired as a Cartographic Technician from the USDA, Forest Service after 36 years of service. During his career he surveyed most of the National Forest lands in Washington and Oregon. He was a heart transplant recipient and a cornea donor.

Quilt Square designed and submitted by Arlene Foster, wife





1A1 Jack Jones



1A2 Lowell



1A4 Jerry Neils



1A5 Rebecca Hensley



1A6 Pam Zerner



1A7 Kaman Schmidt (submitter)



1A9 Glen Gunter



1A10 Dave Cook



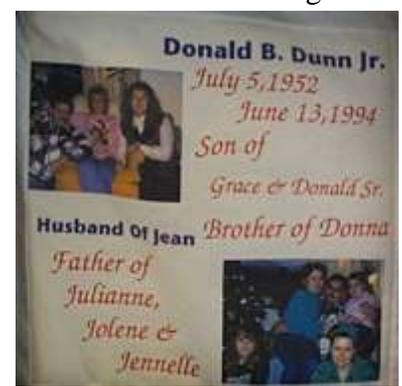
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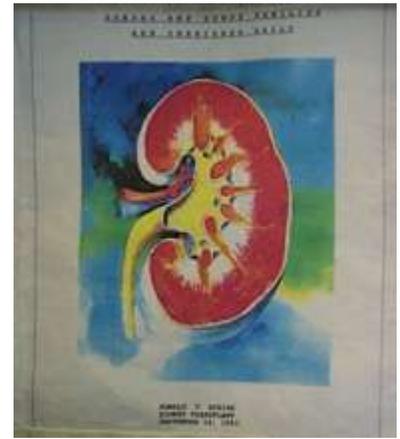
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1B9 Nancy Borden



1C2 Bettye Steber



1C4 Ronald Auxier



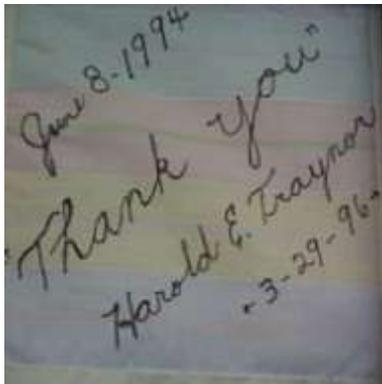
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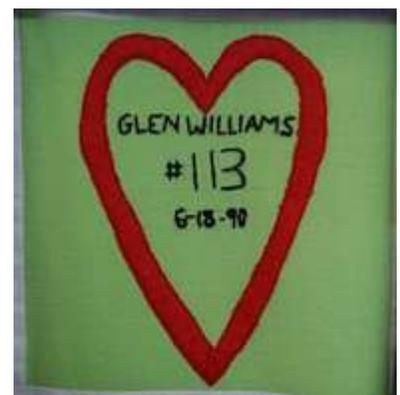
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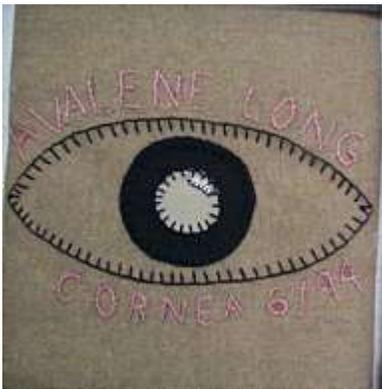
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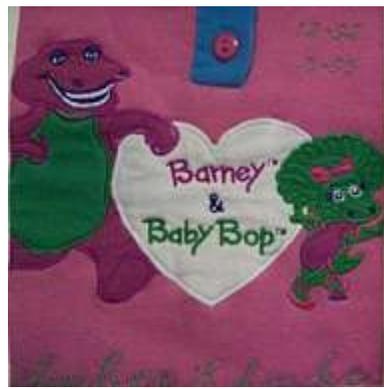
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1E5 Avalene Long



1E7 Amber Ehmke



1E8 Lion's Eyebank of Oregon



1F1 Hazel Jordan



1F2 Buster Davis



1F3 Donald Dunn



1F6 Christine Oman



1F8 Wilson High School



1F9 Marc Walenda



1F10 John Bryan



1G2 Vivian Hoffman and Earnest Lower



1G3 Mitchell Josh



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1G5 Deborah Brown



1G6 Gerald Backen



1G8 Jerry Pugh



1G9 Bess Prill



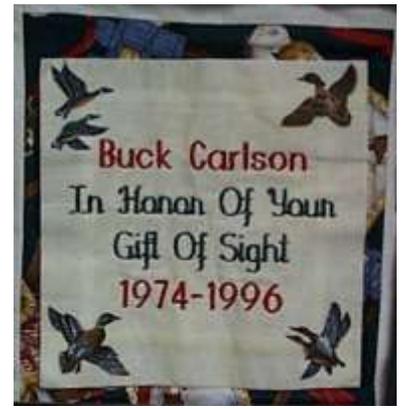
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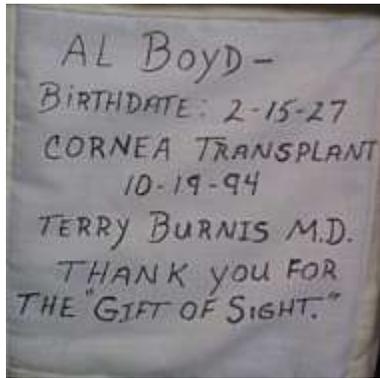
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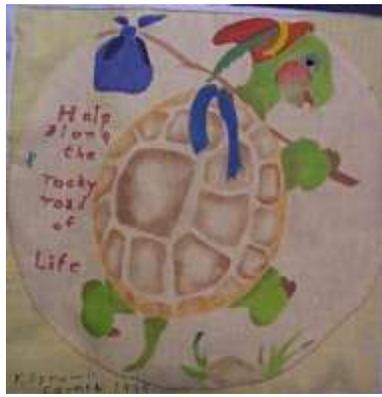
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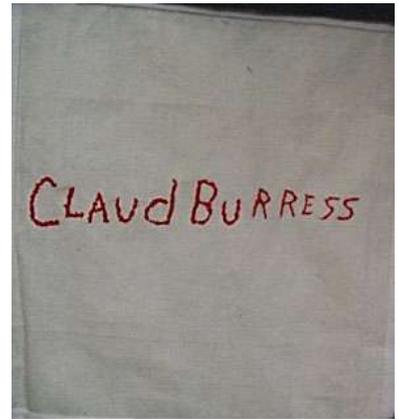
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115 Arland Pilot



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