

TC Peacemakers Process for Creating/Presenting Quilts of Valor

The Mission of the Quilts of Valor® Foundation is to cover Service Members and Veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor.

Creating/Presenting Quilts

- A Peacemaker member or non/member either makes a quilt top using their own fabric/pattern following QoVF standards & guidelines, or a member can sign-out a pre-made numbered QoV kit
- Secretary tracks who has kits and the date they are signed out for follow-up purposes
- The finished pieced quilt top is given back to secretary. Please indicate the measurements on the form provided with the kit so we can update the QoV activity log. The secretary typically pulls a matching backing and passes it on to our long-arm quilters team
- Once quilting is done, long-armers send it back to the secretary to pass on to either the quilt maker or someone else to sew on the binding. The quilt then goes into inventory or gets presented
- Secretary and/or member: creates a label, specifically for the vet receiving the quilt, which is sewn on to the back of the quilt; creates a specific QoVF paper award certificate; and if flag material is available to make a pouch to store the quilt
- Secretary mails out quilt package to the vet or nominator if virtual presentation or gives it to the member who will be presenting the QoV to the vet face-to-face. She also gives the vet a blank photo release form to sign so we can publish their presentation pictures

QoVF Nominations

- Nominations made on the QoVF website are matched with the QoV group closest to the veterans location
- Secretary sends nomination information to group leader or other presenter to follow-up with veteran/nominator to schedule a virtual or face-to-face presentation
- Secretary also sends the presenter the names of the members who pieced, quilted and sewed on the binding so they can be recognized during the presentation
- Presenter gets the names of the people from the vet/nominator who will be talking about the vet, wrapping the QoV around their shoulders and reading the award certificate.
- Presenter does a brief introduction, introduces people associated with the vet who will be taking over the next part of the presentation as outlined above and once that is finished, presenter reads the closing.

- Secretary obtains pictures from presentation and passes them onto the group leader who will post them on the NJ QoV Facebook page and the Turtle Creek Quilters website
- Secretary closes out nomination request on the QoVF website

QoV Presentations Made Outside the National Website

- If a member receives a request for a QoV outside the national website, they need to obtain the following information about the vet: name, branch of military, dates of service and rank. They should also follow the procedure above for making a label & having the vet sign a photo release form if they are taking pictures of the presentation that we will posted on Facebook or our TC website.
- Following the presentation, the member will forward any pictures of the event to the secretary and the group leader. They will also input the presentation information in the Report a QoV Award form on the QoVF website (see link below) and notify the secretary of how many quilts she presented and the names of the recipients. The secretary will record this information along with assigning these quilts a number so they are reflected as a Turtle Creek Peacemakers award.

<https://www.govf.org/report-a-quilt-of-valor-award/>

Turtle Creek Peacemakers Committee

Group Leader - Debbi Oriolo

Back-up Leader - Margaret Pemberton

Secretary & Treasurer - Donna White

Kit Committee - Betty Kiss & Chris Crum

Raffle Baskets - Meg Heineman

Long Arm Quilters - Jeanne Tharp, Pat Walker, Chris Crum &

Joann Tarateta

Fabric Buyer - Joann Tarateta

Member at Large - Michael Morisco