

OUR TRIBUTE



Quilts of Valour - Canada Society Mission

To ensure that ill and injured Canadian Forces members are recognized for their service and commitment to our country. We give this support through the presentation of quilts to comfort our past and present Canadian Forces members.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends of Ouilts of Valour Canada

I hope that this newsletter finds you well and you are starting to feel spring in the air. It is always so wonderful to hear the birds chirping outside our quilt rooms again.

It has been a busy winter for the QOVC team. Lots of sew days and hundreds of quilt presentations. You have brought joy and love to many veterans through a quilted hug.

For many of us, the exciting season of quilt shows and festivals is beginning. Time to show off all the hard work of the winter, and share what QOVC does with the quilting community.

Once again, QOVC will be participating in *Quilt Canada*. It will take place from 19-21 June in Mississauga, Ontario. Last year was a huge success. We had a beautiful display, hundreds of blocks were sewn, the online store was nonstop. We had an amazing time and it must have been contagious because we gained many new QOVC volunteers.

Our volunteers are our most valuable resource. Without each of you doing what you do we could not continue to fulfill our commitment to our veterans.

Our charity like many others across Canada will be feeling the negative impacts of tariffs. QOVC is a 100% volunteer charity.

We are very fortunate that our fabric comes from Northcott Canada. However other supplies needed to make a quilt are predicted to see huge increases. We have the opportunity to purchase supplies already with our Canadian suppliers but we need your help.

We need your donations. Every dollar will help us keep making quilts for our deserving Canadian Armed Forces veterans.

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Hug Block patterns can be found on the QOVC website https://www.quiltsofvalour.ca/hug-block-patterns Hug Blocks must be made from Northcott Stonehenge Oh Canada fabrics so blocks will coordinate.

Hug Blocks must be unfinished, unwashed and untrimmed.

Hug Blocks must be physically received by Hug Block Coordinator Denise Wenzel by July 1* 2025 66 Springwood Way, Spruce Grove, AB T7X 0L4 Each Hug Block received will count as one entry

Groups or guilds may enter as a group, if the group wins the grand prize they may draw for a winner from their group of participants

If your group is interested in using your hug blocks to create your own hug block quilt please contact Denise for instructions on how to proceed to be included in the contest. For more information please email hugblocks@quiltsofyalour.cs







GRAND PRIZE:

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Lisa Compton CD RN MScN President

IN MEMORIAM Camilla Gallibois



It is with profound sadness that we announce the unexpected and sudden passing of Camilla Marie Suzette Gallibois ("Camy") on Wednesday April 23rd, 2025 in her 58th year.

Born on May 30th, 1967, in Blanc-Sablon, Quebec, loving wife and soul mate to Mike Brajak. Proud and devoted mother of Eli Gallibois (Nicole) and predeceased by her daughter, Kluanie Gallibois and her loving parents, Meva and Roy Gallibois.

Camy is survived by her loving sister and best friend, Lisette Gallibois (Barry), her father and mother in law, Janko and Jelka Brajak, and her sisters and brothers in law, Mary Brajak (Mike) and Vlado Brajak (Nicole). She is deeply loved and missed by her godchildren Nathaniel Nadeau, Jeffery Evans and Jaimesyn Bobbitt-Morency. Her absence is wholeheartedly felt by her long time best friend and "sister", Ivy-Anne McKinnon (Michael). Camy leaves behind nieces and nephews and a great niece that will forever love and miss her.

To say Camy has touched the lives of many would be an understatement. Always willing to lend a hand, be there in your time of need, celebrate your achievements and pick you up when you were down, Camy leaves behind a legacy of kindness and love that will be felt by anyone who has met her.

Professionally Camy proudly served in the Canadian Armed Forces for 27 years, a clerk by trade she took care of everybody's administrative problems in every unit that she served, in Canada and overseas in Egypt. Camy was a decorated soldier and wore her medals proudly. Upon retirement Camy continued to serve her country and fellow veterans as a public servant for 3 more years continuously working to make things right.

Camy had a long time desire to learn sewing and quilting, she started volunteering with Quilts of Valour in 2020. At first she employed her skills and experience to help clean up the administrative backlog, she took on being a presenter and then added regional representative of 3 provinces, started sewing, and the list kept growing. She selflessly dedicated herself to the organization in the hopes that a quilt would bring comfort to a veteran in need. With her loving and supportive husband by her side, she presented quilts and facilitated in the presentation of quilts to many Veterans throughout Canada.

In lieu of flowers, in memory of Camy, donations to Quilts of Valour - Canada Society would be appreciated.

Burial will take place at Beechwood Cemetery at a later date, when Mike and Eli will be ready.



Remembrance, Hugs and Quilts - Canadian Quilters Association/Association Canadienne de la Courtepointe

Submitted By: Kelly Moore







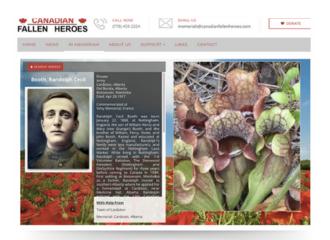
This past weekend, quilters and stitchers at a retreat in Westlock, AB, had the honour of seeing a Quilts of Valour Canada presentation to retired Corporal Mark Norman. The Hug Quilt was presented by Diana Cole, Co-ordinator – Team 6 (AB/NWT).

The presentation was attended by Hank Boss (and his wife), who nominated Mark to receive the quilt. Mark and Hank served together in the 3Mech Commando in Germany. They are long-term friends and now neighbours here in Alberta.

At the presentation, Diana Cole provided background on Mark's 25-year service history in the army, including eight years in combat and 17 years as a physical education instructor.

If 25 years of service is not impressive enough, after retirement in 2003 Mark founded the <u>Canadian Fallen Heroes Foundation</u> (https://canadianfallenheroes.com). The foundation is dedicated to honouring the memory of Canada's Fallen Heroes by sharing their stories and ensuring that all Canadians have free and easy access to our military history.

In collaboration with both private and public organizations, the Foundation preserves a soldier's memory on a commemorative plaque. There are currently 75,014 oak-framed and metal art plaques in 11,000 cities and towns in Canada and around the world, in legions, museums, government buildings, schools, and many other public locations. Each memorial plaque includes an image of the solider, their story, and an inspiring quote.



So, is a quilt just a quilt? When giving a quilt to a family member, friend, co-worker, new baby, or someone you don't know (charity quilt), that quilt can bring warmth (physically and heart-felt), happiness, amazement, sadness, gratefulness. But is that all the gift of a quilt can do? Absolutely not, and the Hug Quilt presentation proves it. The Hug Quilts provides support, thankfulness, healing, and connections for our serving members and veterans. All of this tells me a quilt is not just a quilt!

The word honoured was used at the beginning of this blog. Why? Well, speaking only for myself and, I hope, others at the presentation as well, I am a proud Canadian and a proud quilter. There is a long line of military members in my family, from before my grandfather, including my husband (now retired) and my brother-in-law (currently serving). Knowing



that there are organizations such as Quilts of Valour Canada and Canadian Fallen Heroes there to provide love, support, and memorials will ensure our current members and veterans are recognized and that the injured and fallen will not be forgotten.

Quilts of Valour Canada National Sew Day A Heartwarming Event by the Region of York Quilters Guild

Submitted By: Michael Babineau



The Region of York Quilters Guild recently celebrated National Sew Day with a flurry of activity, creativity, and community spirit. This day was dedicated to bringing together quilters from all walks of life to share their love for the craft while contributing to a noble cause.

The event saw the enthusiastic participation of 33 members from the Region of York Quilters Guild. In addition to the guild members, the event was supported by a dedicated team of volunteers from branch 385 of the Royal Canadian Legion under the direction and guidance of President Bonnie Roberston. Many other volunteers from the Guild also devoted their time and effort to making the day a success. Naomi's teammates Linda Wigmore and Carol McPherson worked on creating an inviting environment where all the ladies were together with a common goal! Supporting our veterans. We are forever grateful for their efforts and their donations.

The collective efforts of the participants and volunteers resulted in several impressive accomplishments. By the end of the day, the group had completed five quilt tops, each one showcasing a unique blend of patterns and colours, reflecting the diverse creativity of the quilters. In addition to the quilt tops, one quilt was completed with custom quilting, demonstrating the high level of skill and artistry within the guild.

We would like to give a special thanks to Deborah Edwards and #northcottfabrics and #rcl385 for their tremendous support of this initiative. We also like to recognize "The Quilt Store" in Newmarket for their continuous support of the Guild and Quilts of Valour Canada.

Another significant achievement was the completion of 125 hug blocks. These blocks, symbolic of warmth and comfort, were crafted with love and care, destined to be part of larger quilts that would provide solace and cheer to those in need. There are many more still in the hands of their creators! They will be added to the total and be turned into additional Quilts of Valour.

National Sew Day was not merely about quilting; it was about fostering a sense of community and giving back. The quilts and hug blocks created during the event will be turned into beautiful creations, spreading joy and comfort to many of the veterans in the ON5 area. The event highlighted the power of collective effort and the positive impact that a community can have when it comes together for a common cause.

The Region of York Quilters Guild's participation in National Sew Day underscored their commitment to their craft and their community. It was a day filled with laughter, learning, and a profound sense of accomplishment. The legacy of the quilts and hug blocks will continue to warm hearts and homes of our veterans, a testament to the skill, dedication, and generosity of all those involved.

National Sew Day has become a cherished tradition for the Region of York Quilters Guild, and it is a wonderful reminder of the joy that comes from creating something beautiful and meaningful together. Looking ahead, the guild is inspired to continue their contributions to both their craft and their community, one stitch at a time. A strong bond has been established between the Guild and Branch 385 which the guild has adopted as their home base for the future.

The ladies of the Guild are routinely creating and giving yet never see the fruits of their labour in action. Naomi and I arranged three surprise Quilt of Valour presentations to take place at the sew day. Two serving and one retired military personnel were honoured along with the ladies who created their quilts. Guild members said that they were aware of what happened to their quilts but had never witnessed a presentation. Tears of joy and a sense of overwhelming emotion gripped the hall during these presentations.









The first presentation was made to Captain Erika Palakovic. Erika enlisted in the military in 2008. While at the recruiting office, they recognized her skill and assigned her to the Public Affairs section where she has thrived. Erika deployed to Latvia with Roto 21-01 as part of a ten-nation contingent under the umbrella of Project Reassurance. She is pictured here receiving her quilt along with its creator Debbie Leclair.

The second presentation was to Corporal Davis Elson (Retd'). Davis enlisted in 1988 with 2MP Platoon Military Police. During his eleven years, David deployed three times. Cyprus in 1993 and twice to Bosnia. Once in 1995 and the second in 1996. David was released in 1999. He continues to protect his community as a member of the Peel Region Police Service. He is pictured here receiving his quilt along with its maker Saskia Loomans-Jones.

The final presentation was to Captain Stephen Lloyd. Captain Lloyd enlisted in 1998 with the Queens York Rangers- 1st American. He is currently the Adjutant Officer for 32 Brigade and is still serving. Stephen deployed in 2003 with 2nd Battalion, PPCLI as part of Operation Paladium. He is pictured here receiving his Quilt of Valour along with "Top" volunteer, Linda Wigmore.







The Quilted Stash Submitted By: Corey Allan Follett

From the The Quilted Stash

A QOVC Hug Block designer and QOVC supporter

Please check out our latest <u>blog</u> post about the radio interview we did with Kelly Moore from the <u>Canadian Quilters Association</u> and <u>CBC Newfoundland and Labrador</u> Krissy Holmes.

As we enter into week 9 of the Canadian Quilter's Association's True Colours Quilt Along, we are witnessing how the world in which we live needs this big, ol', queer quilt wrapped around its collective shoulders now more than ever. Yesterday afternoon, Kelly Moore (the membership director for CQA) and Corey Follett were interviewed about the True Colours Quilt Along on CBC Radio in St. John's, NL. We love that people in our community here in NL are interested in these stories and we are so heartened to hear the response that Kelly shares they are receiving from across Canada and even from the US.

https://www.cbc.ca/listen/live-radio/1-47-on-the-go/clip/16134654-true-colours-quilt-along-2025

QUILT PRESENTATION HIGHLIGHTS

Let's look back and celebrate some of the quilt presentations over the past three months.

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Shauna Karnes

Submitted By: Harold Francis

It was my honour to present a beautiful Quilt of Valour to Shauna Karnes with her family and friends in attendance at their home. Shauna's poppy quilt was made by Patricia Blair. Shauna on behalf of a grateful nation thank you for your service.

Ken Stephens

Submitted By: Harold Francis

Today it was my pleasure to present Ken Stephens his Quilt of Valour at his home in Cobble Hill with his wife and family in attendance. Ken is retired air force with 37 years of service.

Ken has served Canada with distinction. Ken on behalf of all Canadians thank you for your service from a grateful nation.







WO Nicole Claxton

Submitted By: Jacquie Fuller

On March 1 I was invited into the home, with Newfoundland hospitality by offer of a cup of tea, by WO Nicole Claxton. We were joined via social media by brother Justin in St. John's and sister Sue and family in Edmonton.

During a 20+ year career which took her to Iraq and twice to Africa with MSRT, there were lows followed by high points. Retirement is in the planning stages. Husband Mat, also a Quilt of Valour recipient, nominated Nicole. We were also accompanied by daughter Madeleine and son Isaac. Nicole's hug was crafted by Brigid Whitnall, Tamiko van Eicken and Corinne Borsellino.

Captain Bendan Boyle

Submitted By: Michael Babineau

On Tuesday, April 8, I had the honour and pleasure or presenting a Quilt of Valour to Captain Brendan Boyle. The event celebrated the dedication and service of Captain Boyle, who enlisted with the Canadian Armed Forces in 2008. Over the course of his remarkable 17-year career, he served diligently with the 31 Health Services as a Physiotherapist. His commitment and contributions were acknowledged as he prepares for his release in May of 2025.

Seen here with his wife Elayne, Captain Boyle graciously received the Quilt of Valour, a symbol of gratitude and recognition for his service. The quilt, crafted with care and precision, was made by Jill Anderson and Barb Morrison. Their effort and artistry illustrate a sense of appreciation and respect, honoring Captain Boyle's dedication and sacrifice.

The ceremony not only highlighted Captain Boyle's significant contributions but also underscored the community's support and admiration for those who serve. The Quilt of Valour stands as a testament to the courage and steadfastness of Canadian Armed Forces members, with Captain Brendan Boyle exemplifying these qualities through his distinguished service





MWO Roberta Doucette

Presented By: Betty Letendre

It was an honour today to present MWO Roberta Doucette her Quilt of Valour at her home outside of Kingston. Surrounded by her family and nieces. Roberta has served proudly for 25 years in the Reserves, first as an Infanteer where she was injured, and then later in the administration branch as an RMS. She will be releasing soon to look after herself, family, and look at what her next options in life will be. A grateful nation says thank you for your dedicated years of service.

Nancy McCauley

Submitted By: Amy Taylor

What a lovely Veteran I had the honour of presenting a well-deserved Quilt of Valour. Nancy McCauley, having served 26 years combined in both the Army and Air Force.

Thank you, Nancy, for your dedication from your daughter, Amanda, family, friends and Canadians all over.

Nancy's beautiful quilt was made by Debby Spruce and quilted by Gem Quilting -Sudbury, ON.





CWO George Leon Slade, (Ret'd) RCCS/RCEME

Submitted By: Chantel Auger

On behalf of QOV Canada and a grateful nation, it was a great pleasure and an honour to present a Quilt of Valour to CWO George Leon Slade,(Ret'd) RCCS/RCEME accompanied by his wife and friends. Mr. Slade is a Korea War Veteran who served our country, from 1954 to 1981. The ceremony took place at the Legion Branch 632 in Orleans on February 26, 2025.



Maj. Francis Arsenault

Presented By: Betty Letendre

I had the distinct honour to present Maj Francis Arsenault his Quilt if Valour at the TC Kingston. He served loyally for 15 years in the infantry, starting with Fusiliers de St-Laurent. He has three overseas operations (tours) which he participated in the Congo & Latvia in Chief Information Operations, as well eastern Europe with 3R22r Airborn. He will look ahead now to future endeavours as a civilian.

Steve Koppang Submitted By: Amy Taylor



Today it was a great honour to present a Quilt of Valour to Steve Koppang. As a former Medic with multiple tours; he has done so much for Canada and even as a retired Veteran he continues to show support of others with PTSD.

Steve's podcast brings people together to talk about different topics and some of the struggles faced by veterans. https://open.spotify.com/show/3yFSQ3KXqqhR1K9ZQhef9M?si=3ded05d5ede0430c...





HAPPY 60th FLAG DAY!



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Paul Leger stands next to a beautiful quilt to acknowledge our flag's 60th birthday on February 15, 2025

Gordon Schottlander

Submitted By: Michael Babineau

Naomi and I took to the road and traveled to Burlington Ontario to visit a true Canadian hero. Gordon Schottlander's story exemplifies extraordinary courage, sacrifice, and resilience.

Born on January 10, 1925, in Britain, Gordon joined the military at the tender age of 17, a decision that required bravery and maturity beyond his years. He began his service in North Africa, dedicating nine months to critical efforts during the height of the war between 1943 and 1944. This period of service laid the foundation for his later sacrifices on the battlefields of Europe.

At just 18 years old, Gordon was promoted to officer and tasked with leading 30 men during one of the most pivotal moments of World War II—the D-Day invasion.

As part of a Canadian division, he and his men landed on Juno Beach with the first wave. By the time his landing craft reached the shore, only 15 of the 30 men under his command had survived—a chilling testament to the high stakes of the mission. Despite the chaos and loss, Gordon fulfilled his duties with extraordinary courage, leading his men up the beach and into the heart of Normandy.





Seven days after the invasion, Gordon's service took a turn for the worse if that's possible and during a surprise German attack, a mortar shell exploded near him, leaving him gravely injured with shrapnel wounds to his feet, legs, and thighs. He gave a vivid account of when he realized his boots were filled with blood. Gordon woke up in a hospital in Scotland, where he spent the rest of the war recovering and contributing to the war effort through administrative work.

The quilt presented to Gordon was a combined effort of six women who witnessed a presentation about Quilts of Valour and decided to combine their efforts and make a quilt to present to a deserving veteran.

Maureen Seller, Marg Little, Melba Davie, Michelle McDonald, Dianne Gould, Judy Kidd, and Pat Ingoe met every Monday in Newmarket to complete the quilt. Their dedication and creativity are evident in the final product, a quilt fit for a WW2 Veteran.

Gordon is pictured here receiving his quilt at his home in Burlington.

Petty Officer First Class (Ret'd) Murray Quinton

Submitted By: Laverne Phills

On February 24, 2025, we at ON6 had the honour of presenting a comfort quilt from Quilts of Valour - Canada Society to Petty Officer First Class Retired Murray Quinton. He is also known as "Marathon Murray".

He spent 42 years in the Navy. He travelled the world. He is proud to have raised over \$100,000 in various currencies from many countries for many charities. His tee-shirt quilt was made and assembled by Arlene Duckert and quilted by L. Phills.

Thank you for your service!





Warrent (Ret'd) Nelson Highfield Submitted By: Mary Jane Brown

It was a great honour to present Retired Warrent Nelson Highfield with his beautiful Quilt of Valour at his home in London Ont. Nelson served 28 years in the Army including the Canadian Guards and the Royal Canadian Dental Corps. On behalf of all Canadians we thank you for your service to Canada.





MWO (Ret'd) Phil Ferguson Submitted By: Rhoda Moore

It was an honour to present to MWO (retired) Phil Ferguson. Phil served for 32 years as a Lineman with tours of duty in Golan Heights, Bosnia, Kuwait and Afghanistan. His quilt was made by Patrice Burke, MaryAnn Myers and Martha Karua, Calgary AB.

Thank you for your service.



William Seifried Submitted By: Deby Wettges

On March 13th it was my honour to present a Quilt of Valour to William Seifried (Royal Regina Rifles - WWII Veteran). His family joined in with the presentation to recognize his service to Canada. William was stationed in France, Belgium, Germany and Holland. He was in Holland to witness the 10 day celebrations for the Liberation of the Netherlands. William (who will turn 100) traveled in 2024 to the 80th Anniversary of Juno Beach and will travel in May of this year to the Netherlands for the 80th Anniversary of the Liberation. Thank you for your service and for your continued representation of Canadian Armed Forces



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John Laughington Submitted By: Penny Wittebolle

On February 4, 2025, it was my pleasure along with my colleague Margaret to present John Laughington his Quilt of Valour. John was in the Airforce. Thank you for your service. It was an honour.



Danny Keough Submitted By: Debra Lalonde-Gyorfi

On 6 Mar 2025, Mr. Danny Keough was presented with a Quilt of Valour. Mr Keough's quilt was made in Alberta (AB6-24-237), by Char Kuhn & Kathy Thorneycroft.

The presentation took place at Harbourstone Enhanced Care - Kimberly Hall, Sydney, Cape Breton.

In attendance were members of Royal Canadian Legion Br 128, Whitney Pier and family.





2025 Poppy Panel By: Adam Young

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Sgt. Jim Nadon
Submitted By: Connie Mitchelmore

On March 21, 2025 Sgt. Jim Nadon was presented with his QOV at our Quilt Club's weekly meeting. Jim served in Bosnia and received the Certificate of the Order of St. John for his bravery and service to humanity. Jim had spied his quilt at our quilt show and hoped it was his! He served with the RCMP and military for 30 years. He was joined by his wife Jocelyne. Quilt was made by ladies of our Club.



Mike Albright Submitted By: Blair Neatby

It was my honour to present a Quilt of Valour to Mike Albright with his wife Lisa and newborn Payton in attendance. Presentation was made at the JTFN Mess in Yellowknife on the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Regimental Day, the birthday of Princess Patricia 17 March.

Mike has served for over 16 years, with 2PPCLI in Afghanistan, Ukraine and Latvia. He is currently serving with the Rangers in the North. Also in attendance were his regimental brothers and their families.



Glen Lambe

Submitted By: Marty Forsythe

I had the pleasure of presenting Glen Lambe his quilt at the Burton Lions Club in front of 20 of his family and friends, Glen served 25 plus years in the forces doing various tours in Canada and abroad. He had a significant positive impact on the restructuring of the Signal Corps as a QSTP Manager at CFB Gagetown CTC HQ. Thank you for your service Glen. Quilt by Lynne Mersereau and quilted by Susan Duff.

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President's Coin Presentation March 13, 2025

Submitted By: Bernie Verreault

It was my honour and privilege to present on behalf of our President Lisa Compton, Manitoba Representative Edith Taylor with a President's Coin with approximately 30 of her friends during a luncheon here in Winnipeg Manitoba.

Edith is being recognized as a "pioneer founder" of Quilts of Valour Canada. The citation on the letter reads as follows:

"Edith, this coin is presented to you in recognition of your efforts as an original pioneer of Quilts of Valour Canada Society. You have spent countless hours quilting, attending workshops, meeting quilting guilds, visiting veterans's hospitals and spreading the word to countless quilters and groups about Quilts of Valour Canada. Your dedication has resulted in hundreds of quilts being donated and presented to deserving veterans in the Province of Manitoba since 2006. It is an honour to recognize you."

Needless to say, Edith was very appreciative to receive the award and thanked the President for the special recognition. Edith continues in her role as Provincial Representative for Manitoba.





W.O. (Ret'd) Leslie Boyles

Submitted By: Vanessa Austin

Retired Warrant Officer Leslie Boyles looks excited to be wrapped in a quilted hug from a grateful nation! It was a true honour to present Mr. Boyles with a Quilt of Valour at his home in Amherst today with a large contingent of family and friends present who had travelled from other parts of NS and NB to honour him as well.

Mr. Boyles served over 35 years with the Air Force and had several postings in Europe as well as a peacekeeping mission in the Golan Heights. At 88, still a very proud veteran, he looks as sharp as ever in his uniform and participates in Remembrance Day services every year. He loved the poppies on his quilt, and shared that they remind him that for many years he read the names of the Fallen at the Remembrance Day service at the Oxford Legion. His quilt was made with respect and gratitude by a fellow veteran, France Payne of Memramcook.

Thank you for your service and your wonderful hospitality, Mr. Boyles.

Janet Randal

Submitted By: Lynne Mersereau

Surrounded by family and friends Janet Randall received her Quilt of Valour.

Janet served her country for eight years and was medically released. Thank you for your service Janet. Janet's quilt was made by Betty Doherty and quilted by Marj Deveau.



M/Cpl (Ret'd) Clorice Doiron Submitted By: Tom Daigle

At his home in Saint Louis De Kent New Brunswick, accompanied by his wife Lise, I had the pleasure to present a Quilt Of Valour to a friend and fellow Soldier M/Cpl Ret'd Clorice Doiron. He served 22 years both in The Royal 22 Regiment and Logistic Corp (Transport).

During his service his posting were, CFB Borden, Gagetown, Valcartier, and Lahr. He was also posted on a UN Peacekeeping Tour to Egypt.

His Quilt Of Valour was made by Judy Rodger's with the Main River Quilting Co.





Cpl Christopher Mack & Alan Mack Submitted By: Nancy Detweiler-Gale

On 5 Feb 2025, at the NB Military History Museum at CFB Gagetown, it was an honour to present a Quilt of Valour to Cpl Christopher Mack and also to his father Alan Mack.

Cpl Mack joined the reserves in 1992 with the Royal New Brunswick Regiment until 1994 when he joined the Regular Force. He served with 2RCR and the Infantry School in many aspects and was deployed multiple times including Bosnia in 1999. Cpl Mack will be retiring in April after almost 33 years of service.

Alan Mack also served his country for 30 years.

Thank you for your service, gentlemen.

Christopher's quilt was made by Joyce Humble, Fredericton.

Alan's quilt was made by Peter Nason of Moncton.

The New Brunswick Military History Museum recently started a partnership with the Quilts of Valour Society Canada. The museum is providing an appropriate venue for this wonderful organization to honour our veterans in this very special way. https://www.nbmhm-mhmnb.ca/







A Heartfelt Contribution to Quilts of Valour Canada

Submitted By: Sharon Leonard

At our recent Baccalieu Quilters Guild meeting, we had the privilege of hosting Lisa Compton, President of Quilts of Valour Canada. Lisa shared the profound impact that these guilts have on our veterans, offering comfort and appreciation to those who have served our country.

As part of this incredible initiative, we were honored to present 17 beautiful quilts made by our talented members, each one crafted with care and gratitude. These guilts will be presented to veterans serving as a tangible reminder of our thanks for their service.

Thank you to all our members who contributed their time and talent to make this possible. It's truly rewarding to be part of such a meaningful cause, and we look forward to continuing our support for Quilts of Valour Canada. Baccalieu Quilters Guild, Dildo NL.

Robert Morgan Submitted By: Bev Morgan

It was a tremendous honour to present Mr Robert Morgan his Quilt of Valour in the presence of his family on April 6, 2025.

The quilt was presented at the Private Josiah Squibb Memorial Pavilion in Carbonear Newfoundland.

The quilt was made by Rosalee Taylor and quilted by Cotton Country in Clarke Beach



Good To The Last Scrap

Our St. John's Modern Guild member and QOVC volunteer Heather French collected scraps from other QOVC volunteers and pieced this top.







Brian Bennett

Submitted By: Sandra Bruce-Power

It was my pleasure on February 23, 2025 to present Brian Bennett of Sunnyside, NL with his Quilt of Valour. I was joined at his residence in Sunnyside by Christine Picco of the Foggy Bay Quilters, the quilting guild who crafted the quilt.

Brian served 29 years in the Royal Canadian Air Force as a Supply Technician. He retired from CFB Gander at the rank of Sergeant following a career which included service in Peacekeeping missions in Golan Heights, Persian Gulf, Sudan and Afghanistan.

Stephanie Hinks Submitted By: Elaine Huxter

It was a privilege to present Stephanie Hinks of Port au Choix with her quilt on at the Legion in Corner Brook.

She travelled down with her husband Marc. Her quilt was made by Nicole Badcock and Sharon Stone.





Derek Loder

Submitted By: Sandra Bruce-Power

It was my pleasure on February 23, 2025 to present Derek Loder of Come By Chance, NL with his Quilt of Valour. He was joined by family at the Barachois 50 Plus Club in Come By Chance for the presentation. Members of the Foggy Bay Quilters who crafted the quilt, were also present.

Derek served 6 years in the Royal Canadian Air Force at CFB Summerside as an IE Technician. Thank you, Derek, for your service to your Country. Your quilt is a hug from a grateful nation.







Michel Jacques
Submitted By: Patrick Mageau

I had the honour to present to Monsieur Michel Jacques his Quilt of Valour in the comfort of his residence accompanied by his charming wife Josette.

During his career of 24 years and 6 months, he was transferred to Valcartier in addition to being transferred 3 times to Lahr in Germany. Operating in Cyprus and Norway.

His quilt was made by TRENTON FRIENDS OF QOV. Thank you for your service from a grateful nation.

Lloyd Chubbs Submitted By: Camilla Gallibois

It was my honour to present Lloyd Chubbs from L'Anse Au Clair, NL who now resides in Saint-Andre-Avellin, OC with his Quilt of Valour.

His quilt was made and donated by the Beaconsfield Guild.

Thank you for your service from a grateful nation.



Francis Gilbert Submitted By: Camilla Gallibois

I had the honour on 6 March of presenting Francis Gilbert from Chelsea, QC with his Quilt of Valour at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 227 in Gatineau.

His quilt was made by O-HO guild and Peggy Grapes.



Merrill Skinner Submitted By: Camilla Gallibois

I had the honour on 6 March of presenting Merrill Skinner from Val-des-Monts his Quilt of Valour at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 227 in Gatineau.

Thank you for your service from a grateful nation.



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Many Hugs Submitted By: Camilla Gallibois

I went to Quebec City on 11 April to receive a donation in person and presented 5 quilts at the same time. On 12 April I did a presentation in Trois Rivieres and Lachine. It was a total of 13 presentations over the weekend.

Jean Guibault was presented his Quilt of Valour on 12 April 2025 in Trois Rivieres.

Bill and Leah Singer from La Salle, QC was presented their quilts on 13 April 2025.

Real Donati from Quebec, QC was presented his quilt on 11 April 2025.



















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