

13. Requesting a Quilt of Valour

All nominations or requests for a Quilt of Valour are to be made through the online form on the QOVC Website (quiltsofvalour.ca).

If you are contacted directly by an individual requesting a QOV, direct them to the website and ask that they complete the form. Advise them that once you receive the form you will be in touch to discuss the request and presentation.

In addition to contacting the nominator, contact the recipient as well. Ask if they have ever received a QOV? Discuss what a QOV is and what is involved in a presentation. Not all recipients are comfortable with being the centre of attention or participating in a public presentation. Occasionally they even refuse the quilt. Ultimately it is the recipient's decision.

Advise the nominator that we do not do surprise presentations. A Quilt of Valour is recognition and a thank you for the recipients sacrifice to Canada. It is not a birthday, Father's Day or retirement gift and is not to be treated as such.

Advise the nominator that you are not responsible for organizing the venue for the presentation or inviting guests, and that QOVC does not have a budget for supporting social events or venue rentals.

Group presentations are restricted to a maximum of 5 recipients. This will ensure that each recipient's experience is special and not rushed. Prior approval by the Board is required for larger groups.