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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

Happy New Year! Thank you to all of our volunteers for making 2024 a very successful year for QOVC.

Many of you have already heard the news but just in case you haven't, I am excited to share that 2025 started with the accomplishment of having presented over 25,000 quilts to Canadian Armed Forces Veterans.

Things won't be slowing down in 2025.

The **Annual QOVC National Sew Day** will be taking place again on the first, Friday in February. (**Feb 7th**). We once again will be in the good hands of our host with the most, Paul Leger. The registration link can be found on the QOVC website homepage.

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I hope you can join us for a day of celebrating QOVC, sharing with your fellow quilters, enjoying our guest speakers and of course fantastic prizes from our sponsors.

Some of the other things you can keep an eye out for while the snow is falling will be a 2025 **Hug Block Contest** sponsored by BERNINA Canada and Northcott.

As well as the 2025 QOVC **Big Block Pattern** similar to the Parade Square Block and Connections Block that can be found on the **Resources** section of the website. <u>https://www.quiltsofvalour.ca/resources</u> As we continue to grow, we are always looking for ways to raise funds for the quilting supplies needed to make our quilts. One of our newer initiatives has been an update of the **Sponsor A Quilt Program**. There are letters available to present to private sponsors, businesses and realtors on our website under the sponsorship tab.

https://www.quiltsofvalour.ca/sponsor-a-quilt-info

We hope you find them user friendly, and it would be a great help if you can share the letters with those you think may be interested in supporting QOVC.

I have shared with community groups and businesses in my area and many have been excited to learn about what we do and offer their support.

I am very grateful for each and every QOVC volunteer. There are so many people that work behind the scenes to keep everything running smoothly, IT, website, finances and administration to name a few. Without sewing a stitch, you are a huge part of getting quilts to our veterans.

Wishing everyone the very best for 2025,

Lisa

President Quilts of Valour Canada – Society

Special Announcements



Submitted By: Paul Dinn

Seventy-five years ago this year, a delegation by the Commission of Government signed the Terms of Union making what was then known as Newfoundland the 10th province of Canada.

To recognize Newfoundlanders and Labradorians who have made significant contributions to their communities and the province over the past 75 years the 75th Anniversary of Confederation Medal was created.

Another deserving member of the community for the 75th Anniversary of Confederation Medal is Lisa Compton.

Many of our veterans, deal with physical injury and mental scars such as PTSD after being deployed. Lisa served in Afghanistan six times as a military nurse. Her doctor told her that she needed to start something new like macramé or quilting, she thankfully chose the latter! She started at home, with her service dog (Gunner) at her side, to venture to the local quilt shops where she met the ladies and gentlemen that helped her along. Eventually, Lisa started going to Guilds and volunteering with those organizations, this is where she learned more about Ouilts Of Valour Canada. From that point on, she was hooked! She volunteered to be the Procurement Officer for Canada, next she ran for Vice-President and last year she was nominated to be the President of Quilts of Valour Canada and the Regional Coordinator for Newfoundland and Labrador. All this in just 7 years from a lady who couldn't leave the basement of her home.

Quilts Of Valour Canada has been providing quilts to ill and injured service men and women since 2006 when the first battle group from Edmonton went to Afghanistan. Since the end of Canada's role in the war, quilts have also been presented to WWII, Korea War, Somalia and Bosnia veterans. In 2024, all of Lisa's volunteers coast-to-coast-to-coast have been working very hard to break the goal of 25,000 quilts presented. In NL alone, over 300 quilts have been presented this year.

When settling down with her husband, Danny, in Paradise, Lisa found out how many veterans were still waiting for their quilts, to which she responded, "when I get my longarm up and running I'm going to clean up the island" and she did! Not alone, but she went out and joined as many quilt guilds and recruited sewers, quilters and binders. She challenged guild's to make 20/40/60 quilts and they met the challenge. Since Lisa's been home, she has brought the number from over 300 waiting to less than 100. It might sound like there are still a lot of veterans still waiting but for every quilt that is presented, there are 2-3 more nominations received.

Lisa also contributes back to the community. She is always monitoring social media looking for families that are in need of help, especially around the holidays. It's nothing for her to run to a grocery store because there is a family in need. She is very driven when the call for help is there.

Thank you Lisa for your service and for all you do in the community for our veterans and those in need. I am very honoured to present you with the 75th Anniversary of Confederation Medal



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/

Special Announcements



TheCabotQuilters'GuildinNewfoundlandhadour40thAnniversary QuiltShow this weekend.OurQOVCTreasurerRoxanneWadewonfirstplacewithherHaloMedallion, that took over 100 hours tomake!CongratulationsRoxanne!



Submitted By: Sharon Leonard



On Oct 24th and 25th, 2024, I had the opportunity to spend 2 days enjoying the "Quilts, Hooked Rugs, & Stitching Display" at the Anglican Cathedral in St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador. These shows are remarkable events that celebrate the art and craft of quilting, rug hooking and stitching that showcase a diverse array of styles, techniques, and innovations.

In particular, the Quilts of Valour display stands out for its poignant mission. This initiative recognizes and honours the sacrifices of military personnel by providing quilts to injured veterans and active service members as a gesture of appreciation and support. The emotional impact of these quilts cannot be overstated, as they serve not only as a comfort item but also as a tangible symbol of gratitude and respect.

This exhibition offered a unique blend of artistic expression and community service, fostering a sense of unity and recognition among participants and visitors alike. Engaging with such displays not only enriches your understanding of quilting as a craft but also connects you with the profound narratives woven into each piece.







TEAM 1 BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON

Regional Coordinator: Denise Wenzel



Nicklos Major Submitted By: Harold Francis

It was my pleasure to present Nicklos Major with his Quilt of Valour with his wife, mother, and newborn baby Liam in attendance. Thank you Nicklos for your service to Canada. His quilt was made by Carolyn Jennings of Abbotsford, BC

Andrew Sebo

Submitted By: Harold Francis

Congratulations to Andrew Sebo on receiving his Quilt of Valour in Esquimalt with many friends in attendance. Thank you for your service Andrew and to Mark, his nominator.





John Reid Submitted By: Gary Leblanc

I presented a lovely quilt today to John Reid at his home in Surrey. Funny thing is John and I served in Croatia in 1992 on the same camp in Daruvar. He as a mechanic, me as a crane operator, and we also served in the same Combat Engineer Regiment (1 CER) in the mid 90s. Well deserved John, and thank-you for your service to Canada.



$\begin{array}{l} MWO \; (Ret'd) \; Daniel \; Radies \\ {\scriptstyle {\tt Submitted \; By: \; \textbf{Bonnie Jackson}} \end{array} \\ \end{array}$

On Nov 15th, 2024, it was my honour and privilege to present Master Warrant Officer (retired) Daniel Radies with his Quilt of Valour. The presentation was at his new home in Prince George in the presence of his wife, daughter, son in law, and granddaughter. Daniel served 38 years in the Army. Thank you for your service to Canada Daniel! The quilt was made by Sue Willard and quilted by Beverly Witzaney, both from Penticton BC.

Gillian Herlinger and Todd Sinclair Submitted By: Harold Francis

It was my pleasure to present two Quilts of Valour to a very deserving military couple. Gillian Herlinger and Todd Sinclair received their quilts at their home with daughter Morgan, family and friends in attendance.

On behalf of all Canadians it is a privilege to honour and comfort you both. Though we may not know the depth of your sacrifice to protect and defend our freedom, we thank you.



TEAM 3 ONTARIO

Regional Coordinator: Elizabeth Seamans



Trevor Keefe Submitted By: Bonnie Leonard

With all the family gathered near the Christmas tree, Trevor Keefe was presented his Quilt of Valour. It was my honor to explain why their Dad was being given a quilty hug of gratitude, having served 25 years to our country. It was decided that this quilt was to be no post hockey, "I'm grabbing Dad's quilt," but rather a special item respected as "only Dad's". Thank you Trevor for defending our freedom and sacrificing in service.

David Perelli Presented By: Nick Hereygers

On December 18th, 2024, David Perelli was presented with his Quilt of Valour by Nick Hereygers in our home in Angus, Ontario. David proudly served in the Air Force for 25.5 years before retiring to his current job teaching Avionics to new aviators at CFB Borden.

David spent time in Kenya and Djibouti, Africa on humanitarian deployments and in Cyprus during the Gulf war and Ancona, Italy during the Bosnian war.

We want to thank The Quilts Of Valour for this "hug from Canada" and to Nick for his beautiful presentation. We would also like to thank the Quilting Corners Guild of Alliston and Country Concessions Quilt Shop, Cookstown for an absolutely gorgeous quilt!

Jennifer Gauthier

It was an honour and a pleasure to meet with POI Jennifer Gauthier and her family. Husband Andre, also her nominator as well as daughter Victoria. She was proud of serving aboard the HMCS Vancouver which set the Canadian record for most consecutive days at sea during the Gulf War.



Jennifer's double sided quilt was crafted by Irena Wosk. May it give you comfort.

Lt. Col Matthew Lennox

Michael Babineau On Tuesday December 10th, Naomi and I attended RCL Branch 385 in Aurora where the Cadets of the Queens York Rangers, 1st American were holding their annual Christmas Dinner. Commanding Officer Lt. Col Matthew Lennox was in attendance. We had the honour of presenting Col. Lennox with a Quilt of Valour recognizing his service and sacrifice to Canada.

In 2008 as a young Lieutenant, Matt was deployed overseas to Kandahar Afghanistan with TF HQ. During his deployment, he was promoted to Captain.

Lt. Col. Lennox enlisted in 2002 and is still serving as the Commanding Officer of the Queens York Rangers, 1st American.

Matt's quilt was made by Linda Wigmore and Barb Morrison.



Jean Buikema Submitted By: Betty Letendre I had the pleasure of presenting Una Golding with a Quilt of Valour! Una served in the Second World War with the Canadian Woman's Army Corps. Since then, she has been an

Una Golding

Submitted By: Soldier

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outstanding citizen and volunteer. Thank you for your service and dedication to our community Una!

It is a pleasure and honour, to say thank you from a grateful nation for your service. Today was a day to celebrate Jean Buikema. She served over 8 yrs as a supply technician. She served her first posting on ship, HMCS St John's. Her daughter and TC Kingston personnel, were there to support her receiving her quilt. She will be releasing spring 2025.



TEAM 3 ONTARIO

Regional Coordinator: Elizabeth Seamans

Jaime Lefebvre Submitted By: Robbie Chapman

It was my honour to present Jaime Lefebvre with a Quilt of Valour. Jaime has served Canada for 31 years (and is still serving) as a medic with PRes 28 Field Ambulance. She has served in many places including Bosnia. Jaime's husband Sean and both parents (who are/were serving members of our military) were with her on Sunday as well as all of her children. Jaime has an infectious smile and it was a pleasure to meet her. Many thanks to our quilt makers Kelly Church, Karine Chapleau and Susan Bertrand. Thank you Jaime, for your service to our nation!



Christine Savoie 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 Christine Savoie. Christine will retired in early 2025 after 32 years of service.

Nadia Breckon submitted By: Ken Neilson

It was truly an honour and privilege to present the Quilt of Valour to Nadia Breckon, this afternoon in the presence of her family in Angus, Ontario. Mrs. Breckon served with dignity as a Supply Technician throughout her career. QOV was quilted by Alliston/Cookstown Quilter's Guilds, Ontario. Quilts of Valour -Canada would also like to thank Nadia for her dedicated service to Canada.





WO (Ret'd) Dany Huard WO Submitted By: Robbie Chapman

Susan Bertrand and I had the pleasure of presenting a Quilt of Valour to Dany Huard WO(Ret'd). Dany served 25 years in Canada's Army and Air Force in many places here in Canada and abroad including the Golan Heights. Dany was joined by his wife Sandra.

Sue and I were delighted to present Dany his quilt, as we were the quilt makers! Many thanks for your service to our country Dany!

WO Julie Lavoie Submitted By: Nancy Arbogast

Maurice Brochu Submitted By: Amy Taylor

With his family present in Chalk River, ON; Maurice Brochu graciously received his Quilt of Valour for his 21+ years in the Military. Having been one of a few people who have served under all three elements (Air, Army and Navy) in Royal Canadian Logistics Service including a tour in Afghanistan in '08-'09.

Maurice's quilt was made by Debby Spruce & Longarmed by Gem Sewing - Sudbury, ON.



At the Ottawa Transition Unit, WO Julie Lavoie received her Quilt of Valour. Though we may not know the depth of your sacrifice to protect and defend our freedom, we thank you.

TEAM 4 ONTARIO

Regional Coordinator: Debra-Anne Lalonde-Gyorfi

Paul James LeBlanc Submitted By: Deby Wettges

It was my honour to present Paul James LeBlanc with his Quilt of Valour. Paul served from 1965 - 68 with the Reg. Army 2 RCR A Company (B&W group photo shows Paul in top row, 3rd from right). Though just out of basic training, he was sent with NATO to Germany during the height of the Cold War. Family and friends (and his pup) joined Paul in the celebration. Paul's quilt was made by D.O.T.S. Comfort Group (Dunnville, ON).





David & Deb Hamilton

On November 23, it was my honour to present husband and wife David and Deborah (Deb) Hamilton with their Quilts of Valour.

David served in the Army for almost 12 years both in Canada and overseas. After his discharge, David served for 11 years. as an Officer in the Navy League of Canada and with Branch 183 Legion in Kincardine, ON.

Deb served for a year with the Army branch of the CAF until her medical discharge. She served as an Officer in the Navy League of Canada from 2001-08.

David's quilt was made by members of the Royal City QG and Deb's was made by Joan Holland of Waterloo.

Sgt Andrew Hampson Submitted By: R.J. Bob Smith

I presented a quilt from Quilts of Valour Canada to Sgt Andrew Hampson (soon to be retired) of the Royal Highland Fusiliers of Canada. The presentation took place in his garage in Brantford, On. You may notice from the picture we are standing in front of his pride and joy: a retired British Army Ferret Scout car. His other pride and joy besides his bride is a restored MP Iltis.

Sgt Hampson's service to Canada also includes his service as an OPP Member. Andrew has served on many CF missions including a total of 19 months (2 tours) in the former Yugoslavia. During his Yugo tour he was attached to the CF MP Contingent. CONGRATULATIONS Andrew, well deserved.

Many Veterans tell me they'd prefer a quilt over a medal. Reason being the quilts are handmade with love and respect for our troops.

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TEAM 5 NOVA SCOTIA

Regional Coordinator: Mary Ewing



PO2 (Ret'd) Ken Raper Submitted By: Rhoda Moore

At home surrounded by family, it was an honour to present to PO2 (retired) Ken Raper his Quilt of Valour. Ken served for 30 years primarily with the Navy but with other postings across Canada. His Quilt was made by Mary Ann Myers, Patricia Berko and Martha Karau.



Art Gaetan Submitted By: Rose Marie Collins

I was privileged to present Art Gaetan with his Quilt of Valour at his home in Brooklyn, NS, recognizing his distinguished 20-year career with the Canadian Navy, including significant Gulf deployments. Thank you, Art, for your dedication, from a grateful nation!



Lorne Gracie Submitted By: Rose Marie Collins

It was an honour to present a Quilt of Valour to Lorne Gracie of Pine Grove in the presence of his wife, Judy and son Steven. Lorne served for 24 years as a signaller and had deployments to Germany and other postings throughout Canada. On behalf of a grateful nation thank you John for all of your contributions to our country. This beautiful quilt was made by Bonnie Jensen, Mary Ewing and Donna Moore.



TEAM 6 ALBERTA

Regional Coordinator: Diana Cole



WO (Ret'd) Leif Robertson Submitted By: Carol Robertson

What an incredible honour for my husband WO (retired) Leif Robertsen to receive a Quilt of Valour at a service at Royal Canadian Legion Branch 256 in Stony Plain Ab. A very special thank you to Branka Sedak of Edmonton for creating such a fabulous tribute.

Wayne Oakes Submitted By: Michelle Gregory

It was an honour and a pleasure to present Wayne Oakes with his Quilt of Valour. It was especially memorable as I knew Wayne when he and my dad were stationed at CFB Chilliwack. In addition to Wayne's military service which includes tours in Bosnia and Afghanistan, he was a great support to my family during one of my dad's deployments. Wayne was joined today by his wife Wanda, daughter Stacey and son in law Matt. The quilt was made with love and gratitude by Peggy Durand of Lacombe AB



Kevin Stevens Submitted By: Blair Neatby



It was my honour to present a Quilt of Valour to Kevin Stevens at the Royal Canadian Legion in Yellowknife. His wife Bonnie was in attendance to support Kevin. Kevin joined the army in 1985 and served in the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. He served with the 1st Battalion and the 3rd Battalion as well as posting to the Infantry School, Wainwright and 1st Canadian Ranger Patrol Group. Kevin served in Cyprus and in Bosnia. In attendance were his regimental brothers; Mike Albright, Colin Bokovay, Robert Eno, Cordell Friesen, and Gordon Swanson.

Will Stapleton Submitted By: Michelle Gregory

I had the honour of presenting Will Stapleton with his quilt made especially for him by a close friend. As it turns out, Will served in the same building (different units) as my dad while stationed at CFB Edmonton from 1987-1992.





Captain M.F. Zielinski CD Submitted By: Terry Grabowski

Diana Cole (Alberta QOVC coordinator and rep.) and I had the privilege and honour to present a Quilt of Valour to a most deserving CAF Officer. I got rather emotional reading the label to her regarding thanks and hugs from grateful Canadians.

My friend Captain. M.F. (Mary-Frances) Zielinski, CD served in the Canadian Navy, the Canadian Coast Guard as well currently, with The RCAF. She's a stellar helicopter pilot and a total asset to the military I was here in my role as Branch Service Officer and QOVC presenter to ensure she is best tended to before her release from active service. Per Ardua Ad Astra, "Through Adversity to the Stars"

TEAM 7 MANITOBA

Regional Coordinator Bernard Verreault

Mike Cranford

Submitted By: Bernard Verreault

On behalf of QOV Canada and Canadians from coast to coast to coast, in the presence of his spouse Linda, it was my honour to present a Quilt of Valour to Mike Cranford on 13 December 2024 at the Army, Navy, Air Force Veterans Unit 283 Assiniboia, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Mike proudly served our country for 19+ years, initially in the Artillery with 3 Royal Canadian Horse Artillery and later as an Air Frame Technician with the Royal Canadian Air Force. Mike had postings in Shilo and Cold Lake and had deployments in Cyprus and Germany.

Thank you to the Manitoba Prairie Quilters for the beautiful Quilt. Congratulations Mike for this well deserved recognition, thank you for your service.





Douglas James Submitted By: Bernard Verreault

On behalf of QOV Canada and Canadians from coast to coast to coast, in the presence of his spouse Cynthia and his loyal companion Fenway, it was my honour to present a Quilt of Valour to Douglas James on 13 December 2024 at his home in Niverville, Manitoba. Doug proudly served our country for 20 years as an Aerospace Control Operator with postings to North Bay, Greenwood, Trenton, Moose Jaw and Oklahoma. Doug also deployed to Egypt and Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates during his career.

Doug's spouse Cynthia was presented with a Quilt of Valour on 31 July 2024 by the Transition Centre in Winnipeg, she served our country for 19 years also as an Aerospace Control Operator with postings to North Bay, Greenwood, Cavalier, North Dakota and Winnipeg. Thank you to the Manitoba Prairie Quilters for the beautiful Quilts. Congratulations Doug and Cynthia for this well deserved recognition, thank you both for your service.

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TEAM 8 NEW BRUNSWICK & PEI

Regional Coordinator: Marty Forsythe

Melissa Wiper Submitted By: Nancy Detweiler-Gale

On 4 Dec 2024, at the NB Military History Museum, CFB Gagetown, it was an honour to present a Quilt of Valour to Melissa Wiper in the presence of her husband and daughters. Melissa's service began in Aug 2007, joining as a Construction Technician (Land) with the Royal Canadian Engineers. Her postings included the Naval Construction Troop at CFB Halifax, 1CER at CFB Edmonton, 2CER at CFB Petawawa, CFSME Gagetown and in November 2024 to the Transition Centre Gagetown. Melissa's quilt was made by Judy Miller & the Elliott Lake Quilters Guild.

David Burgess

Gillian-Leeman

On Nov 14, 2024, I had the absolute privilege to present David Burgess a quilt of Valour. The presentation was done at David's home in Albany, PEI with his wife and friends present. David served in the Army.







Herb Mahar & Mike MacDonald Submitted By: Chris Batchilder

Honoured to present a Quilt of Honour to Herb Mahar and Mike MacDonald .

Gerard Marche Submitted By: Lynne Mersereau

It was an honour to present Gerard Marche with his Quilt of Valour at the New Brunswick Military Museum on Nov. 18 with his wife in attendance. Gerard served his country proudly for 31 years. During his career he did two tours to Cyprus one in 1972 and the other in 1986. His quilt was made by Linda Glassford.



TEAM 8 NEW BRUNSWICH & PEI

Regional Coordinator: Marty Forsythe

Capt. (Ret'd) Norm Driscoll & Cpl (Ret'd) Laura Driscoll ^{Submitted By: Moe Morrison}

On 16 Dec 2024 I had the privilege of presenting Quilts of Valour to Capt (Ret'd) Norm Driscoll and Cpl (Ret'd) Laura Driscoll at their home in Renous NB. Captain Driscoll a 26 year Signals Officer. Deployments to Bosnia, Afghanistan, Haiti as well as several bases in Canada. Cpl Driscoll RMS Clk served at PSTC Kingston and 1 Sigs Edmonton. Wrapped in their quilts with thanks from a grateful nation.





Brian Whitehead Submitted By: Lloyd N Louise Hardy

On December 28, 2024, at his home in Victoria West, PEI, I had the privilege of presenting Brian Whitehead with his Quilt of Valour, with his wife Mary and other family members in attendance. Brian had served in all three branches of the Canadian Armed Forces for 28 years.

His quilt was made and quilted by me, Louise Hardy, a member of the Northern Lights Quilt Guild in O'Leary, PEI.

He was extremely honoured to receive his Quilt of Valour. Thank you for your service, Brian!

Ernest Pothier Submitted By: Vanessa Austin

Ernest Pothier of Quispamsis, NB, served for 24 years in the CAF . During that time, he served 9 & 1/2 years in the Armoured Corps before taking a LOTREP to Materials Tech in RCEME and served them very well before being Medically Released.

After he retired, he ended up going to Afghanistan, where he worked as a Civilian Mat Tech with the Military and eventually did 18 months (3 tours from 2 May 2010 to 16 Nov 2011). Today, I had the honour of presenting a hug from a grateful nation and Quilt of Valour to Ernest at his parent's home in Shemogue, NB with his wife and daughters, his parents and 2 sisters there in honour of the occasion. Thank you for your service Ernest!





TEAM 9 NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR

Regional Coordinator: Lisa Compton



Gregory King Submitted By: Sheldon Madore

It was an honour to present Gregory King with his Quilt of Valour at his residence in Pouch Cove, NL, on 28 Dec, 2024, in the presence of his wife and son.

His quilt was made by St John's Modern Quilt Guild, Kennedy's Quilting, and Jennifer French.

Shawn Ehler Submitted By: Elaine Huxter

It was my absolute pleasure to present Shawn Ehler with his the quilt in the presence of his wife, Kim, sister-in-law and mother-in-law. His neighbour, who pieced and quilted it was also in attendance. Pictured left to right, Debbie Warren, Shawn Ehler and Kim Ehler.





John Casey Submitted By: Sandra Bruce-Power

On November 25, 2024 it was my great pleasure on behalf of Quilts of Valour Canada to present John Casey of Mount Pearl, NL with his Quilt of Valour. Mr. Casey was joined by family members Jeannie, Walter and sister-inlaw Kathy Pretty at his home in Mount Pearl. Also present was Maureen Whiffen from the Freshwater Community Center Quilters, the group that crafted the quilt. Thank you to Kennedy Stitching for the Long Arming. Thank you John for your service to your Country.



Richard Blanchard ^{Submitted} By: **Sheldon** Madore

It was a honour to present Richard Blanchard with his Quilt of Valour at his residence in Conception Bay South, NL on December 28, 2024, in the presence of his wife, kids, and his dad. His quilt was made by Susan Bertrand and Lisa Compton.



Group Presentation Submitted By: Joebag Lucas

I had the privilege to present a group of Quilts Of Valour at Branch 35 RCL Stephenville. L-R Tim Marche, Leah Marche, Mike Byrne, Cindy Parsons, Nominator and Presenter, George Lee, Lawrence Gaudet and Shawn Cameron. Thank you everyone for your service.

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TEAM 10 QUEBEC

Regional Coordinator: Camilla Gallibois



Marc Rouille Submitted By: Robert Charbonneau

Many thanks to the seamstresses Jo Anne Merrill-Duckworth and Peaav Grapes. who contributed to the resilient geometry of this unique Quilt of Valour, which was presented to Mr. Marc Rouiller.

He served from 83 to 89, and since that time, he has volunteered with Aboriginal people and lived in a breathtaking wooded environment. A colleague he knew, who came from France, 1st class Mr. Adde was present during the presentation.



Jean Cauchy Submitted By: Patrick Mageau

I had the privilege and great honour of presenting a Quilt of Valour to Monsieur Jean Cauchy, surrounded by his son Louis Cauchy and his nephew Louis Couillard in the comfort of his residence. Mr. Jean Cauchy was born in 1924 and is a veteran of the Royal Canadian Air Force and took part in several missions, including the Second World War. His quilt was made by Denise Luce & Liliane Duchesneau.

Franklin Minville Submitted By: Camilla Gallibois

Tonight at Hôpital Enfant-Jésus in Quebec City with the assistance of his son Felix, it was an honour to have presented Franklin Minville his Quilt of Valour for his 22 years of service. His quilt was made and donated by Trenton Friends of QOV.

Linda & Ronald Roberge Submitted By: Patrick Mageau

I had the honor to present Linda & Ronald Roberge of Ste-Aurelie,Qc their Quilts of Valour that were made by the TRENTON FRIENDS OF QOV team.





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