Infinite Legacy's Annual Ceremony of Remembrance

QUILT PINNING



Infinite Legacy's Donor Memorial Quilt celebrates the memory of those who have given the gifts of life and hope through organ, eye and tissue donation. These quilts are displayed at events throughout the Mid-Atlantic region, honoring the memory of generous donors and raising public awareness about the lifesaving power of donation.

Prior to merging in January 2023, The Living Legacy Foundation of Maryland (The LLF) and Washington Regional Transplant Community (WRTC) each had their own respective quilt program. WRTC's Donor Memorial Quilt began in 1995 and The LLF's followed in 2001. Collectively, the two organizations completed 47 quilt panels. The first Infinite Legacy quilt panel will begin in April 2023 at the annual Ceremony of Remembrance.

One seam of each quilt panel is always left open to allow for new "patches of love" to be added. When one panel is completed, a new panel is started. No two squares are the same; each is as unique as the individual it represents, and all held together by the common thread of love.

A selection of quilt panels from The LLF's and WRTC's collections will be prominently displayed at our annual Ceremony of Remembrance. We invite all of our donor families to create a square in honor of their loved one and bring it to the event. You will have the opportunity to pin your square to our in-progress quilt at the quilt pinning station, either before or after the ceremony.

HOW DO I MAKE A QUILT SQUARE?

- Your quilt square should be cut to exactly 8 x 8 inches. Within the 8-inch square, allow 1 inch on all four sides for the seam, ensuring that your content fits withing a 6-inch square. Please use the template provided on the opposite side of this page as a guide.
- All decorations, images and lettering should be securely fastened to the fabric.
 Please avoid using glues that may dry out over time.
- Please do NOT finish the square with quilting or backing. We will do that for you.

- You may use colored fabric including sentimental materials such as a portion of your loved one's baby blanket, favorite shirt or tie, etc.
- If you choose to use fabric paint or markers, please make sure that they are stable and permanent.
- If you include a photograph on your quilt square, it must be transferred directly onto the fabric by iron-on or screen printing.
- You may adorn your square with poems, quotes or symbols that you feel represent your loved one.
- Feel free to include your loved one's name and their date of birth and death.

Planning your quilt square is a wonderful opportunity to share stories and memories of your loved one. We encourage you to include family and friends in this project and hope that it brings you comfort and peace.



QUILT SQUARE TEMPLATE

If you are interested in creating a quilt square in honor of your loved one, please follow the instructions on the reverse. A blank quilt will be available before, during and after the Ceremony, and a volunteer will be present to assist with pinning your square and taking pictures.

