NATIONAL HOME OF THE BRAVE FAILLEN HEROES QUILT



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WE ARE ASKING FOR HELP FROM QUILTERS ALL OVER OUR NATION TO MAKE A NATIONAL HOME OF THE BRAVE FALLEN HEROES QUILT TO HONOR THOSE WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR LIVES IN IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN. THE NATIONAL QUILT IS ALREADY SCHEDULED FOR VIEWING AT TWO PROMINENT NATIONAL QUILT MUSEUMS AND WILL BE SEEN BY VIEWERS ALL OVER OUR NATION.

FOR INFORMATION ON THE HOME OF THE BRAVE QUILT PROJECT GO TO OUR WEBSITE www.homeofthebravequilts.com.

TO CONTRIBUTE A BLOCK FOR THIS QUILT, PLEASE FOLLOW THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS.

- 1. CONTACT DON AT THE ABOVE E-MAIL ADDRESS TO NOTIFY HIM OF THE NAME OF YOUR FALLEN HERO TO PREVENT DUPLICATION.
- 2. PICK A CIVIL WAR ERA APPROPRIATE PATTERN--WE RECOMMEND NINE PATCH, SHOOFLY OR OHIO STAR.
- 3. MAKE AN 8 INCH UNFINISHED BLOCK, EITHER BY HAND OR MACHINE, USING CIVIL WAR REPRODUCTION FABRICS. (NO MUSLIN ON THE FRONT OF THE QUILT, PLEASE). ALL THREE OF THESE PATTERNS HAVE AN UNFINISHED SQUARE THAT MEASURES 3 INCHES, WHICH BECOMES 2.5 INCHES FINISHED.
- 4. FINISH THE BLOCK AS A "POTHOLDER" BLOCK--PIECED, LAYERED (USE COTTON BATTING), QUILTED (MACHINE OR HAND), AND BOUND. (CONTACT DON FOR INSTRUCTIONS ON MAKING A POTHOLDER BLOCK, IF NECESSARY).
- 5. ON THE FRONT OF THE BLOCK, PUT THE RANK, NAME, BRANCH, DATE OF DEATH, HOME TOWN AND HOME STATE OF THE FALLEN HERO.
- 6. ON THE BACK, PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU CHOSE TO HONOR THIS HERO. SIGN THE BLOCK WITH YOUR HAME AND HOME TOWN AND HOME STATE. (THE BACK MAY BE LETTERED WITH MODERN TECHNIQUES).
- 7. SEND FINISHED BLOCK TO DON BELD AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS.

THE BLOCK WILL BE ASSEMBLED INTO CIVIL WAR SOLDIERS QUILTS WITH APPROXIMATELY 77 BLOCKS PER QUILT, AND WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING BEGINNING IN APRIL 2011. THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT.