

Donor Memorial Quilt Program

Every stitch tells a story



About the Donor Memorial Quilt Program

Donation is a patchwork of many different people and families coming together to do something remarkable. Our patchwork does not follow a pattern because donors and their families are each unique and special. Take this opportunity to create a quilt square in memory of your loved one, reflecting on their life. Included in your packet are instructions on how to complete your quilt square and how to mail it back to us, so it may be added to the ever-growing Donor Memorial Quilt. Once complete, your quilt square can be mailed to the address on the back of this brochure.

Instructions

Participation is simple. You do not need to be artistic, or know how to sew a quilt to contribute. The quilt squares can be stitched, painted with fabric paint, appliquéd, or silk-screened as long as the materials used in your memorial square are "dry-clean safe."

All elements and designs of the quilt square are open to your creative expression. The quilt will be displayed at health fairs, seminars, hospital-related functions, special events and donor recognition ceremonies. Our goal in displaying the quilt is to let our community know more about the caring and compassionate families that made the altruistic decision to donate during a very difficult time in their lives. It is our hope that the quilt will increase awareness of the importance of organ and tissue donation.

The quilt will be displayed in the Legacy Donor Service Foundation lobby, whenever it is not being used in community. The quilt will be used for public display and may contain potentially personal. Because of this, we ask that all participating families sign a release form to return with the quilt square.

Please give this project some sincere consideration. Involvement in this project will be beneficial to you and your family and helps with the grieving process. If now does not feel like the right time to participate, we understand. The invitation will always be open to you and your family. There is no deadline.



Quilt Specifications

The final quilt square size should measure 9" X 9" and be created/produced by the donor family

- There must be a ½" margin around the entire square that will be used for hemming purposes when sewing all squares together to create quilt. The ½" margin should not contain creative work, as the margin will be covered when sewn.
- The personalized creative area for the square should measure 8" X 8".

All materials for the quilt square are to be "dry-clean safe"

Suggestions for the "creative memorial" area include:

- The name and dates of life
- Depictions of hobbies, sports played or special interests
- Favorite poem or special saying
- Photo image (not a photograph due to materials having to be "dry-clean safe") – silk screen is recommended for this purpose
- Section of fabric from a favorite garment
- An embroidered monogram
- Drawing or message from sibling, friend or other relative
- Creative use of school colors or favorite color(s)

Supporting Materials:

- Please include a brief written or typed description of the square, one that tells the story behind your creation. The descriptions should be limited to 200 words and will be included in our Donor Memorial Scrapbook.
- Photos of donors can also be sent with the description for inclusion in the Donor Memorial Scrapbook. (NOTE: Photos will NOT be returned)

Additional details on back.



Quilt Guideline Example

Please note this guideline is not to scale



Any questions about the program, please call **877-285-4477**
or email community@legacydsfoundation.com

Please send donor quilt square to:
Legacy Donor Services Foundation
c/o Bereavement Aftercare



2430 NW 116th St
Miami, Florida 33167
legacydsfoundation.com
1-877-285-4477

Donor Memorial Quilt

AUTHORIZATION FORM

I, _____ hereby give my permission to Legacy Donor Services Foundation to reproduce and use the quilt square and story of my deceased.

PRINT FULL NAME

PRINT RELATION TO DONOR

DONOR'S FULL NAME

I understand the memorial quilt square, story, and picture I am providing will be used in public education and awareness campaigns and events for Legacy Donor Services Foundation. In the hopes that as many people as possible will benefit from these public education and awareness campaigns and events, my authorization for publication of the above stated items is not limited to this one program but extends to any project or program in the future if it is used for the purposes of raising awareness and public education about the benefits of tissue donation and the mission of Legacy Donor Services Foundation. I understand that Legacy Donor Services Foundation will become the owner of the materials I provide and will have the right to modify the materials as appropriate for its campaigns and events in keeping with the purpose of raising awareness about the benefits of tissue donation and the Foundation's mission. I also understand that neither I nor anyone else will receive any compensation from Legacy Donor Services Foundation's use of the quilt square, story, and picture.

SIGNATURE OF DONOR FAMILY

DATE

Note: Please complete this authorization form and send back with your quilt square to the address listed below.

