



State Court Chairman to National Chairman
Catholic Daughters of the Americas.
QUALITY OF LIFE
Circle of Love Reporting Form
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Title of the Project Showing Dignity in Death

Since Adam and Eve first sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loin coverings, we have had sewing in our lives. It was a sinful start, but now sewn items have purpose in our existence. Those first loin coverings gave Adam and Eve the dignity to live their lives until death. In death cloth covered the bodies of people in the bible, including the body of Jesus. Those covering give the bodies dignity in going to their final destination, heaven.

One of our youngest members, Dani, who works as a RN, at our local care center noticed that residents were wheeled out of the facility after death, covered in a generic blue cloth from the funeral home. Hearing from others at the care center she found they used to have quilts to cover the bodies of the deceased, she did some investigating and learned the quilts were called "dignity quilts" and they were lost with no hope of finding. This gave Dani the inspiration for a quality of life project in the form of a dignity quilt

Dani presented the idea to the court, where upon it was voted on to become a project. It was decided we would make two quilts one for normal use and a patriotic one to cover the bodies of our Veterans of the Armed Services. Court members reached out to the American Legion and VFW informing them of what we were working on. These organizations were grateful that we would care so much about the death of veterans and their honor they donated funds for the cost of

the quilt. The quilts will be embroidered with stitching with the name of the care facility, the Catholic Daughters the Americas, the American Legion and the VFW.

Members went shopping for fabric and the material has been cut. We are now in the process of making one stained glass quilt and one patriotic quilt. The quilt will be the property of the care center to be used over and over again. This quilt will give dignity in death to residents who passed away at our local health care center.

Deadline: Postmarked by April 1, 2020
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