



September 1, 2015

Dear Carlie:

My Quilts of Valor journey began with you and the QOV quilters in the Smokey Mountain Quilters Guild. That journey has taken many turns over the past seven years. Today is my first day of "re-retirement" and I am taking advantage of the opportunity to thank many of you who have influenced me along the way.

I would never have heard of Quilts of Valor Foundation if it hadn't already won a place in your heart. Thank you for that.

I would like to acknowledge my gratitude for your support and your faithfulness to the men and women who service this country with the gift of this new QOVF Challenge Coin. Challenging you to continued excellence and dedication as we strive to accomplish our mission.

I hope to sew with you all in Franklin again one day soon.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Susan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial 'S'.

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*The mission of the Quilts of Valor Foundation is to cover service members and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor.*