

Memory Quilts

*Turning beloved memories into
cherished keepsakes*

Cloth holds memories.

It is difficult to discard.

**We offer you the unique
opportunity to transform used
clothing, textiles and personal
items into a soft, useable
work of art that will foster
pleasant memories for years
to come.**

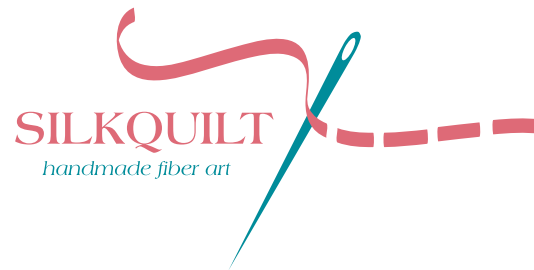
*"We are so grateful. Our wedding quilt marks this
great occasion in our lives combining past and
present to bless us as we move into the future."*

**– B. and D.
New York, NY**



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Louise Silk, founder and principal of SilkQuilt, resides and works in Pittsburgh, PA. For thirty years, she has been creating art that celebrates the loving and healing capacity of spirit. Her ultimate goal is to bring a deep awareness to each of life's moments—to rejoice in the present.

To help her grieve the death of her parents, she created fiberart keepsakes from their clothing and personal items. The 15-piece series included a memory bed-size quilt for each of the five grandchildren in the family. After experiencing the healing power resident in the process of selecting, cutting into pieces and restitching her parents' clothing for family members to cherish and use, she developed this line of memory quilts.

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"I love my quilt. It is made of my wedding dress and linens from my hope chest. Louise's ability to bring new life to old memories is a gift."

— A. G., Pittsburgh, PA

Cloth Holds Memories

A **Memory Quilt** is any textile art created to remember something of significance. It can honor or memorialize a person, an event, an achievement. It can help grieve a loss.

Our quilt items are individually crafted from clothing and textiles provided by you, personal fabric belongings that refer to the person or event being honored.

Embellishments such as jewelry, buttons, and pockets add to the design and make each a unique work of art. Photos, prayers, writings and logos can be incorporated into the quilt using a photo transfer method which leaves originals unharmed and returned to you intact.



Wall Hanging using boy's suit, t-shirts, and sport shirts



Twin Bed Quilt composed of ties, shirts and pants. Finished with blanket backing.

"Everyone who sees our wall hanging is deeply touched. We loved my father and we miss him. This gives us a way to be with him in spirit."

— R. S., Miami, FL

ORDERING INFORMATION

- ✂ You supply garments, materials, and photos. Original photos are not harmed and will be returned. Remnants of textiles will NOT be returned. We reserve the right to add additional fabrics if needed.
- ✂ While we usually supply fabric for the backing, if you prefer, you may provide a large textile such as blanket, sheet or tablecloth to be used for the backing.
- ✂ Allow eight to ten weeks from receipt of materials for completion of your memory quilt.

"We are thrilled with the art quilt you designed for our lobby. It is a treasure, meaningful in concept and design, as well as beautiful."

— H.R., Pittsburgh, PA

Memory Quilts may include pieces from any of the following:

- ✂ trousers, suits, shirts and ties
- ✂ sweaters, jackets and uniforms
- ✂ t-shirts and pajamas
- ✂ baby clothing and blankets
- ✂ dresses, skirts and blouses
- ✂ tablecloths and napkins
- ✂ hankies and scarves
- ✂ jewelry



Detail of twin quilt made of boy scout uniforms.

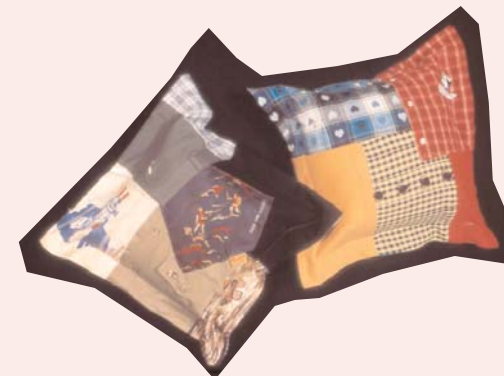
SilkQuilt also produces custom-designed fiber art for organizations, businesses and families. Past commissions have taken advantage of this unique opportunity to —

- commemorate special events
- visually portray mission statements
- document life events
- chronicle family history
- acknowledge donors

Please contact us for more information or to discuss customized requests.



Book made with photo transfers, dress, scarf and blouse fabrics



16" pillow includes dresses, pants, sport coat, ties, shirts, sweaters, buttons and pins