



## HOW CAN I HELP?

TO DONATE TO THE CAMO QUILT PROJECT,  
YOU CAN SEND A CHECK PAYABLE TO:

Franklin Legion Post 387  
c/o Steven Bender  
N7417 Bittersweet Rd  
Plymouth, WI 53073

*100% of donated money is used  
directly for the quilts we make!*

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## GET IN TOUCH WITH US!

*If you or your group is interested in being  
involved in the Camouflage Quilt Project,  
please contact:*

Linda Wieck (920) 627-3460  
e-mail: linda.camoquilt@gmail.com

Diane Meyer (920) 912-3957  
e-mail: diane.camoquilt@gmail.com

Linda Wieck and Diane Meyer  
are willing to speak to your group  
or do a sewing workshop  
on making the quilt.

[www.camoquiltproject.blogspot.com](http://www.camoquiltproject.blogspot.com)

## How much does a Camo Quilt Cost?

**These quilts are given to our troops  
free of charge.**

If you would like to donate money for a  
quilt, the average cost of a quilt is \$20.

This is the cost of materials only.

Those who request the quilts pay any  
shipping charges to send the quilt to their  
soldier/marine/airman. Besides the cost  
of the quilt, it takes 3-5 hours to complete  
each quilt depending on the experience  
of the volunteer.

Here is the break-down of the various tasks:  
10 mins for pinning; 10 mins to zigzag two  
vertical rows; 30-60 mins to do the quilting,  
10 mins to press 4 ties and 1 binding  
(7 yds); 45-90 mins to bind the quilt  
and 15-30 mins for miscellaneous  
tasks such as cutting, winding bobbins,  
trimming quilt, cleaning up, inserting card/  
brochure/cool-tie and rolling the quilt.

Of course, the time to make a quilt at the  
shop depends on how much "chatting"  
goes on among the volunteers.



# SHOWING OUR SUPPORT FOR THE TROOPS SERVING US IN THE MIDDLE EAST



### LOCATED AT:

439 Factory Street  
Plymouth, WI 53073

*Special thanks to GTS for donating the facility.*

### HOURS OF OPERATION:

Wednesdays & Saturdays 9a.m. - 3p.m.  
Tuesday & Thursday Evening 6-9p.m.



**The first camouflage quilt was designed and made by Linda Wieck in April of 2006.**

Her son-in-law, Todd, was being deployed to Iraq and asked her to make him a quilt to take along. His specifications were that it be small, made from camouflage cloth, and it needed to have cotton batting.



While Todd was at Camp Shelby, Mississippi for training prior to being deployed, other soldiers in his unit saw the quilt and wanted to buy one. Todd

asked Linda if she could make each of them a quilt and they would pay her for them. She scrambled to finish all 48 before they left for Iraq in July of 2006.

After the local newspaper published an article about her work, one of the readers asked Linda to conduct a workshop to train others to make the quilts. The first one day workshop was held in April of 2007 at a local banquet hall and was followed by three additional week-long workshops. Hundreds of volunteers helped at these workshops. All the money needed for materials and supplies was donated so the quilts could be given to the soldiers FREE of charge!



As the need for more quilts grew, it was realized that the occasional week-long workshop wasn't going to

be enough to keep the orders filled. There needed to be a large, ongoing source of committed volunteers to sew quilts. A strong core of regular volunteers, numerous quilting guilds and women's church groups meet that need!

In order for us to move forward with our project and produce a larger number of quilts, we needed to have a suitable facility where we could permanently set up a workshop. At minimum, we needed a warehouse to receive and store the large bolts of cloth and if there was room to cut the quilts that would be even better! God provided the best!

At a Christian women's retreat in October 2008, the need for a facility was brought before the Lord in prayer. God answered that prayer when just one week later, Glacier Transit & Storage (GTS) of Plymouth donated a facility for our use.



Camo Quilt Project is at  
439 Factory Street  
Plymouth, Wisconsin 53073.

Not only is there a loading dock and storage space, but we have an entire facility large enough to set up a dozen sewing machines with a separate room for cutting. GTS has donated this facility for as long as we need it including the heat and electricity. Praise God for His wonderful provision!



The camouflage quilt is a small quilt measuring approximately 45" x 72". The quilt folds in thirds and rolls up like a sleeping bag. It is lightweight and has cotton batting so it breathes better in the extreme heat. These quilts are slept on and slept under. It protects the soldiers from the harsh elements they face.

They are even used for pillows. Any person serving in the military and deployed to the Middle East is eligible to receive one of these quilts.

Each quilt is packaged with a cool tie and a hand made card. The card gives information about the volunteer group and is signed by some of the volunteers. This gives it a very personal touch and shows the soldiers that we really care about them and appreciate their service. There is no charge to the soldier for the quilts. We just ask that the person requesting the quilts cover the cost of shipping.

As of March 2010, about 3,500 quilts were distributed to troops serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. Our volunteers are sewing 250-300 quilts per month.



**One of the most asked questions is "doesn't the military provide them with a quilt?" The answer is NO! Military issued sleeping bags are bulky and hot and must be carried inside their backpacks. This quilt is so popular because it is made from the same camouflage material as the uniforms and can be used in the open, and it can be tied to the outside of the kit, leaving room inside for personal items.**

