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# Shawletter

## Prayer Shawls for Fallen Soldiers

a network of needle crafters ministering to families of the fallen  
Since 2006, volunteers have given **7,127** handmade prayer shawls

### Stitching & Serving

Since our last newsletter, shawls were shared with families of these servicemembers:

SGT Cody Samuels  
SPC Nicholas Outhuse  
SPC Ryan Mitchell  
SSG Ted A. Finney  
SPC Andre Vincent Simpson  
SPC Donald Ray Coleman  
SSG Kevin T. Archer  
SSG Bryan Pitney  
PFC Ivan James Rowe  
PFC Christina Bukovcik  
SGT Louis A. Griesse  
SSG Bryan Pitney  
PFC Joshua Halverson  
CPL Brian Prening  
SGT Nick Mueller  
1LT James A. Garvey  
SGM Wardell B. Turner  
CPT Kwesi A. Ramsey  
Bradley S Tetting  
SFC Matthew I. Pionk  
PV1 William R Osterlind  
1SG Thomas Leon Harper



## Prayer Shawl Ministry First Baptist Church – Naples

It was a pleasure to meet new friends down in Florida. These ladies are currently working on blankets for the graduating seniors at their church school. They provide shawls for new babies, for health concerns, and patriotic shawls for deployed servicemembers' families through the church's Operation Soldier Care Ministry. For more info, check out the website: [www.soldiercare.org](http://www.soldiercare.org)

*Let the pleasure of the Lord  
our God be on us:  
O Lord, give strength to the  
work of our hands.  
Psalm 90:17 (BBE)*





3<sup>rd</sup> Friday – 10am  
First Baptist Church  
Naples, Florida



## Thanks and Thoughts

**From a Wife in Texas :** I received the Prayer Shawl on Wednesday, it is beautiful. Thank you.

**From a Wife in Michigan:** Thank you so very much. I have received the shawls. They were absolutely beautiful. Thank you so much for everything y'all have done and continue to do. This meant a lot to me and to his family. We appreciate it so much. Keep up the amazing work. I appreciate all that y'all do.

**From a Wife in New York:** Thank you and God bless you.

**From a Mother in Wisconsin:** I got it (*Prayer Shawl*) at Dover. It was warm and cozy. I would hang it over the back of my chair at home and bring it to Arlington in the winter when we went to see Nick for Wreaths Across America. It was soft yarn in a dark brown color. People like you are a blessing to all of us because you care. God Bless You!

**From a Wife in New York:** Thank you for reaching out. I think these types of memoirs offer comfort, and your work is greatly appreciated.

**From a Mother in Wisconsin:** I received my shawl today! I want to say thank you so much. It's beautiful and so warm. I appreciate it so much. God Bless you.

**From a Father in Arizona:** Thank you very much for what you are doing. Just thinking about this shawl brings tears of grief. Once again, thank you.

**From a Mother in Wisconsin:** I have received my prayer shawl today and it is so beautiful. It has brown colors, rich brown colors and it is soft. I have been on my computer for over an hour now with the shawl over my shoulders and I am warm. That is good for Wisconsin this week. It covers up to my wrist and down past my waist, it is indeed perfect. I keep smelling it because I can smell the Love in it that was sent to me. God Bless.

**From Parents in South Carolina:** Thank you so much. I'm sure the shawl, and the prayers of those who provide it, will bring much comfort. Thank you for the love and sympathy you put into each Prayer Shawl.

**From a Grandmother in Oklahoma:** I think this is a beautiful thing you do for people who have lost a loved one.

**From a Mother in Wisconsin:** Thank you very much. It will be much appreciated!

**From Parents in California:** I would like to say thank you for the time you have taken to contact us. Both of us would love to have a shawl. Our son was a great son and soldier. He is going to be missed greatly. I do needle work myself and know the time and love it takes.

**From a Brother in Wisconsin:** Thank you very much. God Bless You.