

# Shawletter

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## Stitching & Serving

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*Since our last newsletter, prayer shawls were shared with families of these service members:*

**SSG Tyler Latta**

**SSG John Mersky**

**SGT Camer Meddock**

**SPC Jacquez Davies**

**PFC Tristan Creamer**

**SSG Justin Templeton**

**SPC Bryan Parker**

**SPC Gabriel Pitahin**

**SPC Kraghen Birka**

**PV2 Jarrett Ellis**

**SGT Jacob VanDyne**

*Please keep these families  
in your prayers*

## Prayer Shawls for Fallen Soldiers

a network of needle crafters ministering to families of the fallen. Since 2006, volunteers have given **8,352** handmade prayer shawls

## Thanks and Thoughts

**From Parents in Florida:** Thank you for all you do for our service members and their families. Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness. Blessings to you.

**From a Mother in West Virginia:** Received your letter today. It would be an honor to receive a shawl in memory of my son.

**From a Mother in Texas:** Thank you for your support.

**From a Wife in Florida:** Thank you very much, and for this generous act. It is truly priceless.

**From a Mother in Colorado:** Thank you.

## Memorial Traditions

As we prepare for Memorial Day here, we'd like to share our recent experiences with other countries' traditions.

We joined friends from Australia and New Zealand on **April 25<sup>th</sup>** at dawn to observe **ANZAC** day with a "stand to". Originally honoring members of the **Australia and New Zealand Army Corps** who served in the Gallipoli campaign, it now broadly commemorates all **Australians and New Zealanders** who have served in all wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations.

We participated with our Dutch friends in their **Remembrance Day** observance of two minutes of silence at 8 pm on **May 4<sup>th</sup>**, the night before their **Liberation Day, May 5<sup>th</sup>**, when they were freed from German occupation in 1945. The observance memorializes civilians and soldiers who have died in the Kingdom of the Netherlands or elsewhere in the world since the outbreak of the Second World War, both in war situations and in peacekeeping missions.

How do **you** observe Memorial Day? Send us your pictures or notes to share in the next Shawletter.

## More Thanks and Thoughts

**From a Wife in South Carolina:**

Thank you so much. It means the world to me.

**From a Mother in Florida:** I would very much like to receive a prayer shawl and thank you for your generosity. God bless you!

*Let the pleasure of  
the Lord our God  
be on us:*

*O Lord, give strength  
to the work  
of our hands.*

*Psalms 90:17 (BBE)*

