## Shawletter

## **Prayer Shawls for Families of Servicemembers**

a network of needle crafters ministering to families of the fallen. Since 2006, volunteers have given **8,948** handmade prayer shawls

## **Thanks and Thoughts**

**From a Wife and four Children in Tennessee:** Thank you so much for your sympathy.

From a Father in Texas: Thank You and Bless you All.

From a Mother in New Jersey: On Friday morning a mother's worst nightmare happened. I was at work and received a call urging me to come home right a way because two officials from McGuire AFB, NJ were at my house. Both my daughter and son-in-law were currently serving in the Middle East at two separate locations. As you could imagine, it was the worst and longest ride of my life. It seems that my daughter was involved in an accident that claimed her precious life. She was only 30 years old and finished her training as a Family Practice Physician just over a year prior to deployment. We have not received a lot of information and the unanswered questions are a source of torment right now. On Monday my family came to the Fisher House, Dover Delaware to await the arrival of her remains. I found some solace being with family and spent some time in the meditation room. My daughter took one of the beautiful prayer shawls for me. Last night, when we arrived home, I wrapped myself in it. Thank you Terry Longo for knitting the beautiful shawl that provided me some comfort at this terrible time. Your act of kindness helped me through one of the worst days of my life. It will continue to comfort me in the dark days ahead.

## **Stitching & Serving**

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

SFC Jarred Kemp

SSG Michael Mumford, Jr

MSG Joshua Auxier

LTC Steven R Cox

**PVT Keaton Root** 

SPC Skyler Oliver

SPC Carlos Maestas, Jr

SPC Kegan Green

SSG Ronald Eure

CPT KelliAnn Leli

Please keep these families in your prayers.

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)

