

# The Villages Honor Flight

## Serves Veterans in Lake, Sumter, Marion, Citrus and Hernando Counties, Florida

### August 2020 Update

Honor Flight is a national network of non-profit organizations dedicated to transporting as many US military veterans as possible to see the various Military memorials in our nation's capital at no cost to the veteran. The Villages Honor Flight is our local chapter and has served over a thousand veterans to date. *Please note that ALL 2020 flights been canceled.* Please see: [villageshonorflight.org](http://villageshonorflight.org) for more information.

\*\*\*\*\*Of special note is the June 2021 All Women's Honor Flight. We were asked to make 100 quilts. I'm asking for your donations, please follow the General Information below. **ALL 100 quilts should be as close to 40 x 60" as possible.** We will be putting a special label on each of these quilts, so please don't label them. When dropping them off please note that they are for this special flight.

The Quilting Guild of the Villages usually supports two flights each year. In 2021 there will be three flights we will support. Each veteran on these flights will receive a quilt from us. When the veteran arrives for their flight they will choose a quilt and it will be taken home with them after they return from their flight. **It is projected that when flights resume we will be asked to supply a total of 100-120 quilts for the 2 regular flights in 2021, and with the All Women's Flight, the total goes to 200-220.** So please continue to make quilts for this worthy cause. At this time I have 83 quilts.

General information:

- Size requested is 40" x 60", please make them as close to this size as possible.**
- Please make with any Red, White and Blue colors.
- Panels incorporated into the quilts, especially Eagles or service specific are well received by the veterans.
- A "Thank you for your service" name plate is then placed on the back each quilt. If a chapter wants to put their name on it, that is welcome as well.

**I have resumed quilt collection, so please contact me at any time.**

My contact information – Gwen K Frey at 301-471-8885 call/text or [freytavern@aol.com](mailto:freytavern@aol.com).

I appreciate any volunteers who want to assist when the quilts are distributed prior to the flights. It takes between 8-12 people to help each veteran pick out their quilt. It's a humbling experience and one you won't forget!