



A Quilter's Remembrance

Jan Szulczewski, member of WOW and the small group "Quilting Babes," passed away May 6 just six days following a cancer diagnosis and only 7 days after participating in a quilting retreat. A service was held at Colonial Church of Edina on May 11. Members of the Quilting Babes displayed 56 of Jan's quilts on the sanctuary pews and at the altar of the church. One quilt and some UFO's were cremated with Jan's remains and the ashes scattered in the church gardens following the service.

Jan had recovered from breast cancer



nearly 9 years before this diagnosis. She had had a difficult time just a couple years ago when her son passed away unexpectedly from a brain aneurism and on the heels of that, her husband succumbed to his health issues. Jan is survived by her daughter, Sue of Plymouth.





Pictured at left are the "Quiltin' Babes," a small quilting group that has met regularly for the last 14 years. Members shown here are Barb Billmier, Barb Hanson, Kitty Curran, Melva Lang, Lydia Donoho, Jean Carlton, Nancy Benolkin, Sharyn Resvick, Theresa Stang, Sharon Krause, Judy Odle, and Jan Szulczewski.

Below Jan shows one of the many block exchange quilts that the Quiltin' Babes participated in. Over the years the group developed a wonderful and prolific exchange style of their own.

Below left, Jan shares a chuckle with Melva Lang at the annual Green Lake quilt retreat of the Quiltin Babes.

