

Contract for T-Shirt & Memory Quilts

Terms and Conditions for the Creation of Repurposed Memory Quilts

This contract outlines the terms, conditions, responsibilities, and procedures agreed upon by the client (hereafter referred to as "Client") and the quilt maker (hereafter referred to as "Quilter") for the creation of T-shirt and Memory Quilts. By proceeding with the quilt commission, both parties acknowledge and consent to the following terms:

1. Preparation and Submission of Garments

- **Laundering:** The Client is responsible for laundering all garments prior to submission to ensure they are clean, free of stains, and ready for processing. Unwashed shirts or items may delay the project or be returned for proper laundering.
- **Uncut Shirts:** Please submit shirts in their original, uncut state. The Quilter will process and cut all garments as required for quilt construction.
- **Shirt Selection and Designation:** If there are specific sides of the shirts or garments the Client wishes to include or exclude from the quilt, please attach a clearly labeled sticky note, pinned securely to indicate "front" or "back" preference. If both sides of a shirt are to be used, please specify with a sticky note on each side or in writing accompanying the garments.
Cut Size: All shirts will be cut into 14.5" x 14.5" squares. The finished block size in the quilt will measure 14" x 14". The Client should review their shirt graphics and designs to ensure important imagery and text will fit within these dimensions. Note that tank tops and shirts with graphics close to the collar may not accommodate a full 14.5" square cut.
- **Garment Condition:** Please inspect garments for holes, thinning, or excessive wear. The Quilter can repair or reinforce small pinholes, but larger damages or significant thinning may compromise the quilt's stability and longevity.
The Quilter is not responsible for original condition of shirts or undisclosed/unnoticed damage once the project has commenced. Garments deemed unsuitable may be returned, or alternative solutions discussed.

- Prohibited Garments: The following items cannot be processed in memory quilts at this time:

- Sweatshirts
- Denim
- Hard mesh
- Sequined garments
- Leather
- Thick jackets
- Jerseys with hard synthetic mesh holes
- Thick jerseys

Note: Double-layer jerseys may be eligible if layers can be safely separated. Jerseys with mesh holes or tank top jerseys will require additional stabilizer and fabric backing. These blocks may appear visually different due to the extra materials required, which may or may not be visible in the final block.

Patches, Buttons, Objects: Thin patches present on shirts are acceptable and will be quilted. For shirts with buttons, all buttons will be removed, and the placket sewn shut. 3D objects may affect the machine's ability to stitch. If it can be removed, then it is acceptable. If it can't be removed, an alternative shirt is needed.

Questions on Garment Suitability: If you are uncertain about including a garment, bring it to the meeting along with a backup shirt. The Quilter will advise on appropriateness and possible modifications.

2. Processing and Construction

- Repurposed Product: All quilts are crafted as repurposed products. Each block undergoes steam fusing of interfacing and machine stitched over decals, numbers, and lettering.
- Material Wear and Risk Disclosure: Depending on the type, age, and original condition of the shirts, some fabric or decals may continue to show wear, peeling, or cracking during or after processing and future washing. The Quilter cannot guarantee the long-term integrity of original shirt materials, decals, or prints, and is not responsible for natural wear and reactions resulting from prior use or continued washing post-quilt construction.

- Purpose: The intention behind repurposing is to preserve memories associated with cherished garments. Finished quilts are suitable for current use as bedding or as keepsake souvenirs. The Client accepts the inherent risks of repurposed material.

3. Timeline, Payment, and Fees

- Order Queue: Completion of memory quilts is determined by the order in which shirts and payments are received. Memory quilts are processed in the same queue as regular longarm quilt top customers.
- Timeframe and Deadlines: If a quilt is needed by a specific date, the Client must communicate this date and provide all shirts as early as possible. The Quilter will confirm whether the requested deadline can be met based on current project queue.
- Securing Your Place: The Client's place in the order queue is secured only when both the shirts are physically in hand and full payment is received.
- Cancellations or Changes After Processing: Downsizing the quilt to a smaller size after shirts have been cut, fused, and squared will not result in a fee reduction; the original price will apply due to time and materials invested in preparation.
- Upgrade Policy: If the Client wishes to upgrade to a larger quilt size after full payment but prior to sewing, the price difference must be paid at the time of the requested change.
- Approval of Layout: After shirt layout is shared with the Client via text or email and approved, no further changes to shirt sides, order, or included pieces can be made.

4. Limitations and Liability

- Condition of Materials: The Quilter is not responsible for any damage, fading, or deterioration that occurs to shirts or decals during the construction process or due to the previous condition of the shirts.
- Final Appearance: The Client acknowledges that variations may occur in appearance, especially with garments requiring special stabilization or additional backing. The finished blocks may differ slightly in look and feel due to these interventions. Quilt Sizes are Approximate Sizes and can vary.
- Excess Materials: The Client must specify whether unused portions of shirts should be returned or discarded after construction. If no preference is indicated, excess material may be discarded at the Quilter's discretion.

5. Meetings and Consultations

- **Garment Review:** If there are doubts or questions regarding the suitability of any garment, the Client is encouraged to bring it to the initial meeting, along with a backup option. The Quilter can assess and advise on inclusion or necessary modifications at that time.
- **Communication:** The Quilter will provide status updates as needed and will seek approval for layout prior to final assembly. Client feedback and communication are essential for a successful collaboration.

6. General Terms

- **Payment Methods:** Accepted payment methods will be discussed and agreed upon prior to project commencement. Credit Cards, Venmo, Zelle, Checks, & Cash are acceptable payments. Payment in Full is required. 3.5% added for credit card sales.
- **Project Abandonment:** After quilt completion, if the Client does not arrange for pick up/delivery for more than 60 days, the Quilter reserves the right to donate to a charity and dispose of the unused garments, with no refund given.
- **Amendments:** Any changes to these terms must be made in writing and agreed upon by both parties.

Tshirt/Memory Quilt Prices

- **Standard layout includes:** Side-by-side shirts with AGF Pure Solids Fabric Border, backing, binding, interfacing, E2E quilting design, and labor. The total full cost of the quilt, along with shirts "in hand," secures your place in the production queue.
- **Sizes are approximate.**

| Number of Shirt Sides | Cost Before Tax | 6.5% Tax | Total Price | Approximate Finished Size (inches) |
|------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---|
| 16 | \$375.59 | \$24.41 | \$400 | 68 x 68 |
| 20 | \$469.48 | \$30.52 | \$500 | 68 x 82 |
| 24 | \$563.38 | \$36.62 | \$600 | 68 x 96 |
| 25 | \$586.85 | \$38.15 | \$625 | 82 x 82 |
| 30 | \$704.23 | \$45.77 | \$750 | 82 x 96 |

Size of Quilt: _____

Border Color: _____

Backing Color: _____

Binding Color: _____

E2E Design: _____

Cost of Quilt: _____

Estimated Completion Date: _____

Payment Date: _____

Payment Method: _____

Notes:

By signing below, the Client and Quilter agree to the terms outlined above. I look forward to creating a beautiful, meaningful memory quilt together.

- Client Name: _____
- Client Home Address: _____
- Phone Number: _____
- Email Address: _____

Quilter Name: _____

Date of Contract: _____