Giving Back through The Longest Day

Denise Fuller, Traveling Quilter

On the Road
Denise and her husband Mark are part of a growing population called Workcampers. Since 2012, the couple has lived in their RV and finds employment on the roads in which they travel (there’s an entire industry connecting RVers and potential employers). They have traveled to almost every state and spend larger amounts of time in Wisconsin, Oregon and Arizona.

Quilting on the Road
Denise has been an avid quilter for over 30 years and takes her quilting on the road. “While it can be bumpy, I really enjoy it,” Denise shared. One of Denise’s dreams was to start a quilt store. Since a brick and mortar store didn’t work for their lifestyle, she started an online store, Camp Quilter Kits LLC. She sells patterns, threads and quilting kits. You can find her store at www.campquilterkits.com.

Wanda’s Journey is Born
Denise was first connected to Wanda through a mutual friend. She was a seamstress and crafter, but is living with dementia. Wanda and her husband wanted to get rid of her large collection of sewing materials to simplify their lives. She wanted her supplies to go to a good home, so she gave them to an equally passionate seamstress, Denise.

Denise wanted to do something special with the supplies she had received from Wanda. She created quilt block of the month (BOM) kits to sell through her online store and calls them “Wanda’s Journey.” A new block is available each month of this year. Quilters can either purchase an individual block and add it to their current creation or collect them all to make their own Wanda quilt. Half of all proceeds from Wanda’s block of the month kits will be donated to the Alzheimer’s Association.

“Initially, I wasn’t sure what was the best way to donate my proceeds to the Alzheimer’s Association,” Denise said. “Then I was introduced to The Longest Day, which provides a wonderful vehicle for me to donate items in honor of Wanda.” Even if you’re not a quilter, you can support “Wanda’s Journey” on Denise’s The Longest Day page: http://bit.ly/WandasJourney

“I also have an aunt who has been living with dementia for many years,” Denise shared. “It’s a horrible disease and I’m glad to be able to give back in a small way through my business.”