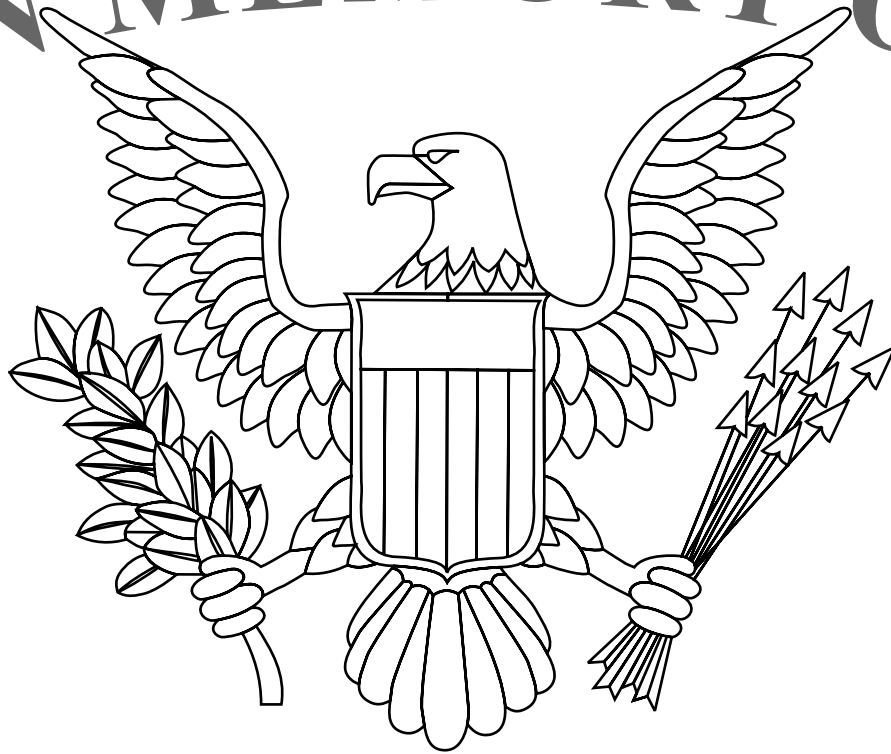


AMONG COMRADES

IN MEMORY OF



Major (Retired)

PAUL BAHNE MUNNICH

Dec. 3, 1934 - Feb. 22, 1999

Illinois Army National Guard

Created by his daughter

ELLEN MUNNICH

Temple, Texas - April 2008

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THE STORY -

Paul Bahne Munnich served 34 years in the Illinois Army National Guard - most of it full time. While he never saw combat (he always wished he could go), he served his country well. Like many Guardsmen of the 1950's thru 1980's, his unit responded to nearly every disaster call in the state. They dealt with tornado's, floods, and other natural disaster. In particular, I remember him being away for long times sandbagging levees where rivers were over flowing their banks. Like so many other rescuers, many of them were injured, and even a few were killed in the line of duty. Sometimes they were gone for weeks on sites where their own neighbors were suffering great losses. They were the first one there giving blankets, food, medical aid and comfort - long before the Red Cross mobilized and arrived.

This quilt is also a salute to all the brave men and women in the National Guard who serve not only at home, but abroad. To hold them in less regard than any of our other brave soldiers is folly, for they serve among the best - AMONG COMRADES.

THE QUILT -

In addition to the adaptations of the seals, there are 50 stars and 13 eagles (the 13th is on the label) on this quilt.

The fabric for the quilt is from Marcus Brothers' Nightshades line, and it is pieced as it is a 45" wide fabric. The batting is Quilters Dream black polyester. It is quilted with double strand of Marathon Gold Metallic thread (two different shades). Quilting was done on a Gammill Optimum with the Machine Quilting Robot, and the layout was done using Pro-Q Designer. The digitizing of the designs took over 4 weeks. The quilt was first basted in 1½" diamonds using Superior's Vanish Extra before placing the designs.