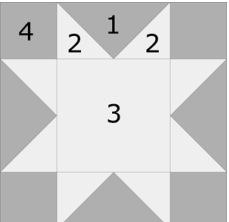# McKinney Quilter Guild 2024 Block of the Month

Sew the various blocks together to form the quilt below. I added a 1 ½" inch background strip for an inner border and a 3 ½" outer border. My quilt top measures 50" x 57". A nice size for the Veterans program.

If you are making the quilt for Quilt of Valor, the recommended size is 60" x 80". It can be no smaller than 55 x 65 and no larger than 72 x 90. My recommendation is to widen the borders to bring the width to the 55"- 60" required size. To increase the length of the quilt, select your favorite 10 ½" blocks (there are many 10" finished star patterns on the internet or use the sawtooth star block below). Make four 10" finished blocks and sew a 1" background strip on the left and right of the strip; trim to measure 10" x 41 ½". Sew a 2 ½" x 41 ½" background strip to the top. Sew this row between the house row and the square ladder strip. This will add 11 ½" to the length which meets the QOV requirements. Of course, you may vary the additions to fit the size requirements and your own creativity.

Thank you so much for participating in this year's Block of the Month. I enjoyed bringing it to you. Happy Sewing, Roxy

10" (finished) Sawtooth Star Block

	1 Background for flying geese: 3 ½" x 5" 2 Color for flying geese: eight 3"x3". 3 Center color 4 ½" x 5 ½". 4 Background corners four 3" x 3". Make four flying geese to sides. Lay out squares as shown and sew together. Trim to 10 ½" square, if necessary