

A Quilter Letter of Instruction - Stars With the List of Questions

How detailed you want to be is completely up to you. Just know that if you don't provide any kind of guidance for your loved ones - it will make the process more difficult for them to carry out. You may feel that - "*When I'm gone, they can do whatever they want with it*" - that's perfect if that's what you want. On the other hand, you may feel strongly about where some items go and what you want to be done with the rest of your quilty treasures - also perfect. There are no right or wrong answers to these questions - only your preferences.

Getting Started

I think it's important to break the process down into bite-sized chunks. Let's take a look at those questions.

- Do you want to designate one (or more) person to carry out your instructions?
- Do you have specific items you would like someone specific to have?
- Do you prefer that your items be sold or donated or a combination of the two?
- **Machines and Tools:** Do you have specific machines or tools that you want to leave to a particular person? List them by item and person(s) name(s).
- **Finished Projects and Quilts:** Do you have quilts or other finished projects that you want someone to have? List them by item and person(s) name(s).
- **Unfinished Projects:** Do you have a preference for what should happen with your unfinished projects? Make note of what you would like to happen to your unfinished projects (gift, donate, etc.).
- **Fabric Collection:** Do you want any part of your collection to be given to someone in particular list them and describe what you want them to have. Make note of where you want the remaining fabric collection to go.

- **Patterns and Books:** Do you want any of these items to go to specific people? If so, make a list of those items and to whom you want them to go.
- Thread and other Notions: Do you have a large collection of threads and notions?
- **Craft Items:** Describe what those items are, where they are located, and what you would like your family to do with them.
- **Everything else:** Provide specific instructions for rehoming any remaining items. This could include donating them, selling them, or giving them away to another quilter or crafter.
- **Donations:** Do you want anything to be donated to a specific organization? If so, what do you want to donate and what organization would be receiving the donation?
- **Online Quilt Groups:** If you belong to any online quilting communities, list them and how you want those groups to be notified.
- Quilt Guilds or small quilt groups: List them and how you want those groups to be notified.
- One final question to consider Do you have strong feelings about anything that you <u>don't</u> want to have happen with your quilting and crafting collection? If you do be sure to spell it out in your letter.

Now that you know the answers to your questions - it's time to create your Letter of Instruction. The link below will take you to a sample letter that you can use as a guide to create your own letter.

A Quilter Letter of Instruction - Sample Letter