

Henry Hirschmann Honored with a "Quilt of Valor"

Henry Hirschmann was among several veterans honored Saturday, October 1, at the Cabarrus Arena and Events Center. The Cabarrus Quilters Guild women presented homemade quilts to the veterans during this special trib-

ute. The mission of the Quilts of Valor Foundation is to cover service members and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor. Hirschmann served in the U.S. Army during World War II, after surviving the

Buchenwald concentration camp during the Holocaust. ☆



Henry Hirschmann, 96, of Charlotte, stands with his son and daughter-in-law, Paul and June Hirschmann, in front of his "Quilt of Valor" blanket.

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All the vets who received quilts along with Henry Hirschmann.

Stolperstine Installation in Vilnius

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human nature can be so polarized – on the one hand a non-Jewish neighbor who saved my father and on the other those who pushed his sister into the flames in Bezdani.

But I am also hopeful. Because at the end, kindness and justice win. In the words of Birute Sabatauskaite of the Lithuanian Center for Human Rights who are credited with bringing Stolpersteine to Lithuania despite many obstacles, "I know people ask us why we do this as we are not Jews. We just think that it is a tragedy that greatly affected the whole of the society in Lithuania, that remembrance of people who are a part of our society should not be only a burden of the people who identify themselves as Jews."

Kindness and justice prevail when people like Birute and Gunter are among us.

About the Stolpersteine project:
Stolpersteine is an art project that commemorates the victims of National Socialism, keeping alive the memory of all Jews, Roma and Sinti, homosexuals, dissidents, Jehovah's Witnesses and victims of euthanasia who were deported and exterminated. The Artist Gunter Demnig installs brass plaques in the pavement in front of their last address of choice. There are now over 54,000 "stumbling stones" in 20 European Countries with Lithuania being the latest addition. It is called the "largest decentralized monument in the world." <http://www.stolpersteine.eu/en/home/> ☆



Yossi Shem-Avi, the mayor of Vilna, Mr. Remigijus Simasius, and the Lithuanian ambassador to Israel Mr. Darius Degutis.



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