

## JOAN THOMAS

Wow this is tough.

**Number one** would be the one that I did in May for my dad's 90 birthday. The man that doesn't ever call anyone actually called me all excited the day he got it. It's a simple quilt but the joy it brought him makes it priceless. In fact he even had it hung up on the living room wall near the front door so "everyone can see it when they come in." Ok I will say I was a bit concerned as to how he hung it up because I included in my note that I'd come do that when it was safe to see him again. I did inform me "I hung it up with that tape I have. You know Joan that special tape." In my head I was like...nope dad I do not know your special tape. Then I was think dear God not duck tape! When he said I used that special two sided sticky tape.

He even knew that the little red bird was symbolizing my mom's presence. The man keeps us on our toes!



**Number two** would be my Bob Ross. This was a challenge from the beginning. Remember I almost started over ten days before the deadline. Plus I never entered a challenge before so I knew nothing about what judges look for in a quilt.



**Number three** would be my Bill Kerr because it was the first time I ever made a true quilt block. He didn't even mind that I broke a rule/guideline. He embraced it with the highest compliment ever..."this is a perfect example of fabric you should not use for this quilt." I'm sure you'll be able to pick out the block. I loved the two fabrics and just wanted them included. Sorry Bill. Quilting by Cyndi Phillip. Thanks,