Thin Blue Line

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Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

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A Free Project Sheet
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Finished Quilt Size: 71” x 88”

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The thin blue line on black is a memorial or a connection or memory between life and death.

Lord I ask for courage to face my own fears. Courage to face my own fears.

The thin blue line represents the thin line law enforcement officers walk daily between life and death.

Lord I ask for courage, Courage to face and conquer my own fears.

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Fabrics in the Thin Blue Line Collection

- 24” Police Panel - Gray
  8918P-90

- Police Blocks - White
  8919-01

- Police Badges - Blue
  8928-77

- Texture - White
  7101-01

- Texture - Blue
  7101-72

- Texture - Black
  7101-98

- K-9 Unit - White
  8920-01

- Toile - Gray
  8921-90

- Police Tape - Blue
  8922-77

- Star - Black
  8923-99

- Stripe - Blue/Black
  8924-79

- Ribbons - Grey
  8926-90

- Words with Thumbprints
  White – 8925-01

- Police Unit Words - Gray
  8927-90

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**Thin Blue Line Quilt 2**

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*Includes binding

### Cutting Instructions

*Please Note: All strips are cut across the width of fabric (WOF) from selvage to selvage edge unless otherwise noted.*

**From the Police Blocks - White (A), fussy cut:**
- (8) 10 ½” blocks.

**From the K-9 Unit - White (B), cut:**
- (1) 10 ½” x WOF strip. Sub-cut (4) 10 ½” squares.

**From the Texture - Black (C), cut:**
- (4) 2” x WOF strips. Sub-cut (16) 2” x 10 ½” strips.
- (6) 2” x WOF strips. Sub-cut (16) 2” x 13 ½” strips.
- (2) 1 ½” x WOF strips. Sub-cut (8) 1 ½” x 10 ½” strips.
- (3) 1 ½” x WOF strips. Sub-cut (8) 1 ½” x 12 ½” strips.
- (8) 2 ½” x WOF strips for the binding.

**From the Police Unit Words - Gray (D), cut:**
- (12) 3” x WOF strips. Sub-cut (160) 3” squares.

**From the Star - Black (E), cut:**
- (3) 5 ½” x WOF strips. Sub-cut (20) 5 ½” squares.

**From the Words with Thumbprints - White (F), cut:**
- (1) 12 ½” x WOF strip. Sub-cut (14) 3” x 12 ½” strips.
- (2) 5 ½” x WOF strips. Sub-cut (18) 3” x 5 ½” strips.
- (1) 3” x WOF strip. Sub-cut (4) 3” squares.

**From the Texture - Blue (G), cut:**
- (11) 5 ½” x WOF strips. Sub-cut (31) 5 ½” x 12 ½” strips.

**From the Police Badges - Blue (H), cut:**
- (4) 5 ½” x WOF strips. Sew the strips together end to end with diagonal seams and cut (2) 5 ½” x 78 ½” strips.
- (4) 5 ½” x WOF strips. Sew the strips together end to end with diagonal seams and cut (2) 5 ½” x 71 ½” strips.

**From the Toile - Gray (Backing), cut:**
- (2) 96” x WOF strips for the backing. Sew the strips together and trim to make the 79” x 96” back.

### Sewing Instructions

1. Sew (1) 2” x 10 ½” Fabric C strip to each side of (1) 10 ½” Fabric A block. Sew (1) 2” x 13 ½” Fabric C strip to the top and to the bottom of the Fabric A block. Trim the block to measure 12 ½” square to make (1) Block One square (Fig. 1). Repeat to make (8) Block One squares total.

2. Sew (1) 1 ½” x 10 ½” Fabric C strip to each side of (1) 10 ½” Fabric B square. Sew (1) 1 ½” x 12 ½” Fabric C strip to the top and to the bottom of the Fabric B square to make (1) Block Two square (Fig. 2). Repeat to make (4) Block Two squares total.

3. Place (1) 3” Fabric D square on the left side of (1) 3” x 5 ½” Fabric F strip, right sides together (Fig. 3). Sew across the diagonal of the square from the upper right corner to the lower left corner (Fig. 3). Flip open the triangle formed and press (Fig. 4). Trim away the excess fabric from behind the triangle, leaving a ¼” seam allowance.
4. Place another 3” Fabric D square on the right side of the 3” x 5 ½” Fabric F strip, right sides together (Fig. 5). Sew across the diagonal of the square from the upper left corner to the lower right corner (Fig. 5). Flip open the triangle formed and press. Trim away the excess fabric from behind the triangle, leaving a ¼” seam allowance to make (1) Unit 1 strip (Fig. 6).

5. Repeat Steps 3-4 to make (18) Unit 1 strips total.

6. Place (1) 3” Fabric D square on the top left corner of (1) 5 ½” x 12 ½” Fabric G strip, right sides together (Fig. 7). Sew across the diagonal of the small square from the upper right corner to the lower left corner (Fig. 7). Flip open the triangle formed and press (Fig. 8). Trim away the excess fabric from behind the triangle ¼” away from the sewn seam.

7. Follow Figure 9 for the seam direction to add a 3” Fabric D square to each of the remaining corners of the 5 ½” x 12 ½” Fabric G strip to make (1) Block Three strip (Fig. 10).

8. Repeat Steps 6-7 to make (31) Block Three strips total.

9. Sew (4) Unit 1 strips and (3) 3” x 12 ½” Fabric F strips together end to end, alternating them. Sew (1) 3” Fabric F square to each end of the sewn strip to make (1) FF strip. Repeat to make a second FF row.

10. Sew (4) 5 ½” Fabric E squares and (3) Block Three strips together end to end, alternating them. Sew (1) Unit 1 strip to each end of the sewn strip lengthwise to make (1) EE row. Repeat to make (5) EE rows total.

11. Sew (1) 3” x 12 ½” Fabric F strip, (1) Block Three strip, (1) Block Two square, (1) Block Three strip, (1) Block One square, (1) Block Three strip, (1) Block Two square, (1) Block Three strip and (1) 3” x 12 ½” Fabric F strip together in that order to make (1) Block Two row. Repeat to make a second Block Two row.

12. Sew (4) Block Three strips and (3) Block One squares together lengthwise, alternating them. Sew (1) 3” x 12 ½” Fabric F strip to each end of the sewn strip lengthwise to make (1) Block One row. Repeat to make a second Block One row.

13. Follow the quilt layout and sew the (2) FF rows, (5) EE rows, (2) Block Two rows and (2) Block One rows together to make the Center Block.

14. Sew (1) 5 ½” x 78 ½” Fabric H strip to each side of the Center Block. Sew (1) 5 ½” x 71 ½” Fabric H strip to the top and to the bottom of the Center Block to make the quilt top.

15. Layer and quilt as desired.

16. Sew the (8) 2 ½” x WOF Fabric C strips together, end to end with 45-degree seams, to make the binding. Fold this long strip in half lengthwise with wrong sides together and press.

17. Bind as desired.
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