

Operation Helmetliner
c/o Citizen Sam
P.O. Box 10565
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Please find enclosed helmetliners and scarves for our service men and women. My daily prayers begin with requesting protection of our troops. My husband served in Vietnam in 1970. When I received an email several years ago with information about operation helmetliner I started knitting. I think this shipment will make at least 52 helmetliners. I already have another one started. I keep one "in the works" in the car so I can knit while I wait on appointments. I just purchased 15 more skeins of wool yarn. I have also gotten some people interested in finding out more about Citizen Sam and operation helmetliner.

Ladies that belong to a rural church organization, which includes our church, knit eight of the scarves enclosed. I was really surprised when a lady called and said she had 8 scarves.

My mother, who celebrated her 85th birthday yesterday, knit the other 10 scarves. My father, who served in Germany in WWII, has been in a nursing home for 4 years. He has Parkinson's disease and can't do a thing for himself or even communicate. My mother hadn't knit for many years, but now finds great comfort in knitting as it fills some of her loneliness.

Thank you for all the effort you put forth in helping our troops.

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