

A Tribute to Vivian – Chairperson of the ABC quilt project for 20 years

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*It was the night before deliveries when all through the house
Not a creature could stir, not even a mouse.
The quilts were all stacked everywhere, here and there
In hopes that the car would start or beware
Vivian was tucked in all snug in her bed
While visions of children danced in her head.
And Ross in his bed, the good ole chap
He had just settled down for his nice little nap*

*When down in the basement there arose such a clatter,
Ross sprang from his bed to see what was the matter.
Down the stairs one by one, he dodged quilts too and fro
To see what had happened in the house down below.
When what to his wondering eyes should he see
But boxes and boxes of fabric melee
In the midst of it all, with all vim and vigor
Was Vivian slashing away like a crazy mad cutter
With ten quilts cut out, and four more to go
Ross knew when to stop and his tongue say no mo*

*So, he quietly left Vivian engrossed in her craft
Thinking how the house looked, as if she had staff
Adults, babies, children she would cover them all
Where there was a need Vivian answered the call
As long as there're babies in need of some love
Vivian keeps sewing to provide that soft glow*

*Ross thought about the last twenty years
When Vivian quilted and sewed even through tears*

*She collected the fabrics, batting and thread
From anyone who was willing to give them a bed
Some fabrics were pretty some bright and some gritty
But they all had their place in the quilts for the needy
Some were polys, some cottons, some new and some old
But to Vivian they all were like pieces of gold
She worked with the brights, the dulls and the flowers
She pieced all the scraps that required many hours
She pinned quilts on the floor 'til she could crouch no more
She sewed so many quilts, there were blankets galore*

*Winters whisked by without a chill breeze
With Vivian still pinning on those sore knees
At MPE meetings she showed us a few
But the stacks at her house we had not a clue
The numbers they grew as each year went by
And more and more children had joy in their eyes
We thank you, our Vivian, for showing the way
To make children happy to see a new day.*

*Thank you for all of the years of Chairing the ABC
Project,*

Your Friends at MPE

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Vivian received a quilt signed by many MPQ members, and Ross received the Crocus Award for the month of February.

