Thank you for your gift

WHEN YOU GIVE YOUR BRIDAL GOWN

Being a bride, and being a wife, are actually two different things. The day of the bride is filled with symbolism of purity, goodness and love, in preparation for the big work ahead, of being a wife. The gown is a symbol of your beauty, both externally but also internally – your beautiful uniqueness, the beautiful intrinsic gift of you. It represents your never being the same again, and realizing that this sacred threshold between two different lives is absolutely worth dressing for the occasion.

Maybe you have saved your bridal gown in hopes of passing it onto another generation. Or perhaps your marriage ended and you still hold to the symbolism of your gown in retrospection, new wisdom and new growth. The story of your gown is an important one.

Choosing to share the legacy of your gown with stillbirthday does something special. In the recreation process, each cut and stitch actually weaves your legacy into a gift that maintains and upholds the message of purity, goodness and love. It allows families facing a whole different kind of threshold to witness and experience the magnitude, the symbolism, the purity, the love, the hope for the future that they so desperately are in need of.

Every minute – literally every minute – a baby is born who isn't alive.

The awareness, education and support to wrap these families in love is desperately lacking and stillbirthday is passionately working to establish. Your gift of your bridal gown is a tremendous help.

The volunteers who cut and stitch your gown do so with dignity, honor and respect, intricately shaping and weaving your story with the story of the many families who will receive the infant gowns created from it. Each bridal gown can make up to 10 infant gowns, or vests, or butterfly wraps, and, may also be used as embellishment pieces for even more infant gowns.

As a bereaved mother myself, I want to thank you, for the gift of your bridal gown. And if you know of anyone else interested in gifting their gown to a very good cause, I encourage you to invite them to consider being a part of the stillbirthday Legacy Swaddle bridal gown to infant burial gown mission and message.

Before you gift your gown, you can choose to cut a portion of the gown as your own keepsake. From the bodice is a popular place to cut from, especially if you are a bereaved mother and would like to cut a piece from the heart of the gown as your own keepsake. We take photos of the bridal gowns and of the infant gowns and show many of them on our facebook page for our headquarters location in Kansas City, The MOM Center. Both because the process requires cutting, stitching, and embellishing, and because the entire seamstress team is regularly diligently at work, we don't always share pictures through the process, but we do save your letters if you attach them with your gowns and we do create all infant gowns to be given to families here locally both in Missouri and in Kansas.

My Name	
About My Wedding	
Wedding Date	
About My Gown	
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What It Means to Share My Gown with Families	



Bridal Gowns Given to still birthday via $\underline{\mbox{The M0M Center}}$

Infant Gowns made by the seamstress team leader<u>, Dana Foster</u>



The Agreement

You are invited to share a photo of yourself in your bridal gown, and/or a letter, as you send in your gown to be recreated.

You can visit The MOM Center and bring your gown, or you can email Heidi Faith at Heidi-Faith@stillbirthday.com to request a possible location to meet to gift your gown. Because stillbirthday is part of Christian Childbirth Services LLC and is not a 501c3, the decision to share the legacy of your bridal gown with stillbirthday is your choice to give this gift, and is not a donation, tax deductible or otherwise. It is guaranteed that your gown will be cut and entirely altered in the recreation process, and so therefore by gifting your gown to stillbirthday you waive all rights of ownership of your gown and stillbirthday is not responsible for the alterations to your gown that will take place during the recreation process. The seamstress team agree not to sell infant gowns created from your bridal gown and we cannot make an infant gown as your keepsake, as every infant gown is needed to serve families in their earliest moments of their journey and are purposed for clothing for their babies to wear.