



My Pillow

My artifact is a pillow. I got it from my great grandmother. I was staying at my grandma's because my parents were on a vacation. I went to her apartment to help pack up her stuff. I was helping because she was moving to the villa because her dementia was so bad. She then gave it to me. I was only 6 when she was diagnosed. I wasn't really old enough to be really close with her. I regret that, because she is 90. This connected us in a special way. Now I have something to remember her by. This artifact reflects the change of my grandma and I's relationship. It made me feel special that she gave it to me.

My great grandma Leora made the pillow herself. She signed her initials on the back of the pillow. I'm so glad she gave it to me. I love my great grandma very much. I really do wish that I was closer to her. But now, we don't get the option. Even though she may not remember me, I will always remember her. She just turned 90 and we couldn't celebrate with her. My great grandmother made it. I know this because she signed her initials on the back corner. I do not know when or where it was made. She sewed it together and then wrote on it "Let all that you do be done in love." I love that she chose to write that. This artifact brings back many memories. I will always remember when she would always ask us if we wanted candy. Then throughout the day she would ask us many many more times if we wanted some, because she couldn't remember if she'd asked us. She always had candy in her purse. I hope that someday I pass this important pillow down and it keeps getting passed down.

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