



## NATIONAL EDUCATOR



# KAYE COLLINS

Kaye Collins loves to create and teach. Kaye's formal sewing education consists of a semester of sewing in junior high with a very patient and encouraging teacher. Mrs. Mitchell didn't even roll her eyes when Kaye decided her third project would be a woolen plaid A-line skirt. The skirt turned out beautifully and a sewist was born.

Throughout high school and college her supportive parents supplied her with fabric and bit their tongues as she often laid fabric on the living room floor and just started cutting without a pattern. Much of her wardrobe was self-made.

Although Kaye made her first quilt in 1989, it wasn't until 2017, when she learned she was going to be a grandmother, that she began her quilting journey. As a student of "YouTube University", Kaye learned to quilt from some of the greatest teachers in the world and immediately started designing and sewing her own quilt patterns. She was using three different professional longarm quilters to keep up with her flow of quilt tops when she decided to learn to quilt on her domestic machine. That was love at first stitch.

After suffering a severe case of whiplash from being accidentally tackled at marching band practice, holding and maneuvering a quilt through the domestic machine became too difficult. Kaye purchased a HQ Forte® with Pro-Stitcher® and has never looked back. She loves the freedom of having the quilt loaded on the frame and is still mesmerized by watching the machine's robotics at work. Now that she is healing, she is spending more time with free-motion and ruler work. Kaye loves creating patterns and designs in Pro-Stitcher Designer™.

Once Kaye finds something she enjoys, she can't help but share it. With a master's degree in education and twenty years of teaching in high school, she has a toolbox full of skills to provide clear and concise explanations and demonstrations. Helping people develop sewing and quilting skills brings her joy. Kaye teaches in person, virtually, and through her website, [OhKayeQuilting.com](http://OhKayeQuilting.com).

Kaye resides in Lehi, Utah with her supportive and enabling husband and two Irish Water Spaniels. She enjoys traveling the country in a motor home, with frequent stops at fabric stores and spending as much time in Maine as possible. She is the mother of three adult sons and has three wonderful grandchildren.

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