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Although Sue Garman learned to sew when she was very young, it was not her first career. In fact, Sue recently retired as Associate Director of the Johnson Space Center in Houston, having also served as Deputy Chief of Staff for NASA in Washington, DC. Sue Garman grew up in the aerospace industry, was trained as a CPA, and started her career by negotiating multi-million dollar contracts for NASA.

Sue's years with NASA and its contractors never separated her from quilting, though. She always regarded quilting as her daily "therapy." As soon as she could thread a needle, her grandmother taught her to make crazy quilts; she literally does not remember a time before quilts. Her quilting career started long before she left NASA – a local quilt shop had seen several of her quilts back in the 70s, and invited her to make patterns and teach classes. That's where it all began – and where she continues today. Her favorite venue is applique, but she also loves making complex, intricately pieced quilts. You will rarely see her without a needle in hand – which explains how she finishes over 20 quilts a year. She simply has a passion for the art of quilting!

Sue is married to a NASA engineer that she met in Houston's Mission Control Center during a simulation of the first trip to the Moon. She is also dedicated to supporting her community and serves on the board of directors of several local foundations.