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9 VETS WRAPPED IN QUILTS OF VALOR



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Amid a chorus of oohs and aahs, and the constant click of iPhones recording the moments for posterity, nine veterans were wrapped in Quilts of Valor at the American Legion Post 66 in Clinton last Saturday. They included, from right, Madison's Danny Young, who served the Air Force in Vietnam from 1965 to 1969; Gary Kingston, of Niantic and Port St. Lucie, Fla., who served in the Navy from 1958 to 1966; Westbrook's Neal Sorensen, an Army veteran who served from 1962 to 1964; Andrew Poleshek, of Madison, who served in the Marines from 1959 to 1963; Old Saybrook's Chuck Hill III, a Marine who served from 1957 to 1963; his son, Chuck Hill IV, of Clinton, who served in the Navy from 1981 to 1985; Jean Leca, of Clinton and Punta Gorda, Fla., a Navy man who served from 1958 to 1964; and Guilford's Craig Yerkes, who served in the Navy from 1958 to 1971, including a stint in Vietnam.