

ALBUM IN A YEAR: July online material

What We'll Remember by Amanda Probst. **Supplies** Cardstock: Prism Papers; *Patterned paper:* Making Memories (4x6 notebook pages); *Brads:* Creative Impressions; *Pens:* American Crafts Precision Pen, Uniball Signo (white); *Stamps:* Cornish Heritage Farms (dotted background), Hero Arts; *Ink:* Close To My Heart, Tsukineko Versamark; *Rub-on letters:* American Crafts; *Computer fonts:* Impact, Microsoft Word; *Other:* Pencil.

Step by step instructions to recreate this layout:

1. Select and print five photos. Trim to 4x4 squares. (Feel free to substitute blocks of patterned paper or memorabilia.)
2. Prepare journaling blocks 4 inches wide for each photo. Vary the height on the blocks. Here, I used some Making Memories 4x6 notebook pages and some cardstock stamped with various backgrounds. I had each family member handwrite his/her thoughts (just with a pencil) but used rub-on letters for my toddler's.
3. Print the title block and trim to 4x8. (I drew an oversized box around it and placed it in a bit from the edge of the page so that you can print all the way to the edge of the title block. If your printer is like mine, placing it right up along the edge would cut off a portion of the star.)
4. Lay out the photos, journaling blocks and title block on two 12x12 pieces of cardstock. Adhere to pages as shown (the bottom edge of the photos is roughly 2.5 inches from the bottom).
5. For the green curves, I sketched these out freehand on the reverse of my cardstock and then cut them out. (The design was inspired by one of my Hero Arts stamps.) Once you're happy with your curves, stamp month and attach brads. Then, adhere the curves to the pages using foam tape or pop dots for dimension.
6. If desired, add a hand-drawn border around the entire layout. (I love to draw two parallel black lines with my American Crafts Precision Pen (usually in .03 size) and then fill the middle with a color, here white.)