A Star for Marguerite

In memory of my daughter Sian Alexandra Marguerite 1969 - 2019

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Requirements:

Size 20 thread, embellishments (2 gold stars, 2 smaller silver stars
and 2 small gold seed beads) and the usual tatting equipment,
for the different sized picots you might find picot gauges useful
sp - opened out paper clip
mp - cocktail stick
Lp - coffee stirrer

Abbreviations:

R = ring, sp = small picot, mp = medium picot, Lp = large picot,
cl = close ring, CH. = Chain, RW = reverse work, + = join,
sj = shuttle join

Row 1

Wind about 1½ metres on your shuttle. Do not cut

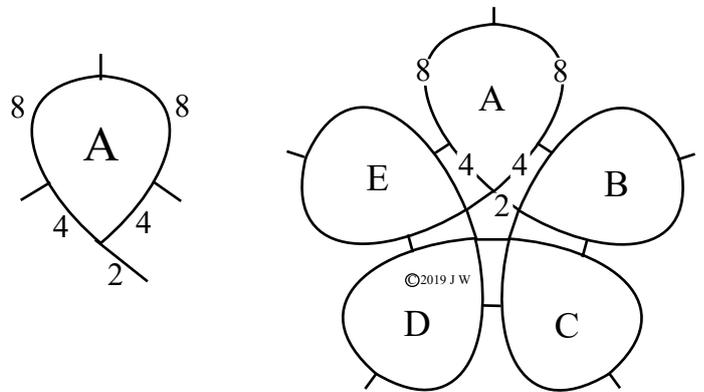R.A   4, mp, 8, sp, 8, mp, 4, cl, RW
CH.   2, RW
*R.B   4, + to previous ring, 8, sp, 8, mp, 4, cl, RW
CH.   2, RW**
Repeat from * to ** twice more then
R.E   4, + to ring D, 8, sp, 8, + to ring A, 4, cl, RW
CH.   2

Cut and tie to the base of ring A, secure the ends.
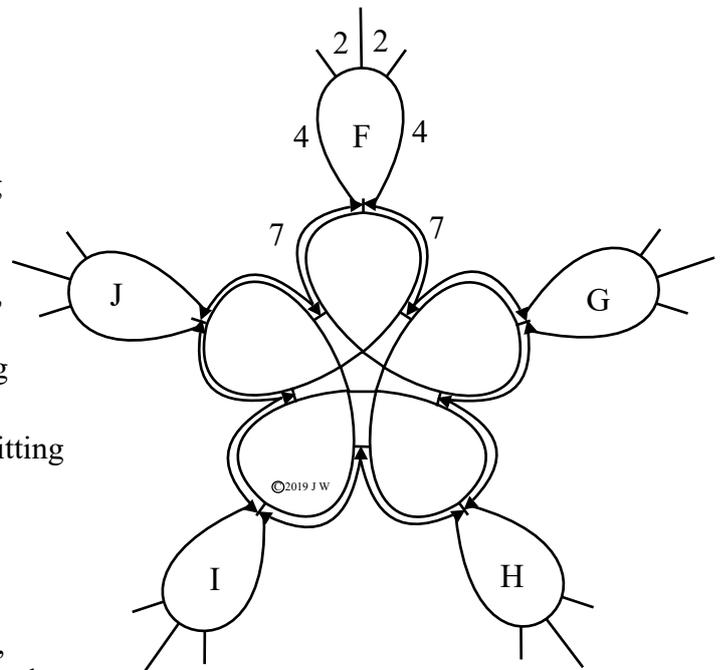
Row 2

Wind about a metre on your shuttle. Do not cut

Work a shuttle join the joining picot
between two of the rings on row 1

CH. 7 tension to fit snuggly round outside of the ring
     as far as the sp on the ring and sj to the sp,
     4, mp, 2, Lp, 2, mp, 4, tension to curve into
     a mock ring and sj to the same picot on the ring,
     7, tension the fit snuggly round the other side
     of the ring and sj into the picot between this ring
     and the next ring

Repeat from the start of the row four more times omitting
the final shuttle join.

Cut and tie to the same picot as the first sj.
Secure the ends.

Thread a length of the tatting thread on a fine needle,
Pass the needle through the centre of the star, from back
to front, then through a large star sequin, small star sequin and a gold bead then back through the small star
sequin then the large star sequin.
Move the sequins and bead up close to the tatted star by holding the bead then pulling the thread gently.
Pass the needle through the tatted star from the front to back, string another set of sequins and bead.
Move the sequins and beads on front and back up close to the tatted star, tie the ends in a reef knot and trim.