“Koda is just goofy with great big puppy eyes,” Erica said with a laugh. “And he gets distracted easily. There are only two activities that keep him really engaged. One is playing tug of war with his brother; the other is Frisbee.”

Andre, Koda’s brother, is the polar opposite. Erica and Nick, the guardian of these two Rottweiler/German Shepherd mixes, describe him as wide open. While Koda is more reserved and loves attention, Andre is like a big lovable bulldozer. These two dogs have been the center of Erica and Nick’s world for five years. Their lives lovingly revolve around them. ‘Sound like anyone you know?’

Now living in Georgia, the couple recently found a house to rent. Thrilled to have a yard for their dogs, the two paid the deposit and first month’s rent and moved in.

However, both noticed that Koda kept asking for more attention than usual. He was whiny and needy. Unsure of the cause, they gave Koda lots of love and chalked it up to the stress of the move.

Four days after moving in, Erica discovered a hard knot in the dog’s right arm pit. It felt like it was glued to one spot. The funny thing was Koda didn’t react when she touched it. Erica, on the other hand, felt all kinds of panic.

Upon closer examination, she also noticed that Koda’s rib cage protruded. When he walked, she could see the mass rubbing his arm pit.

Immediately, Erica took Koda to the vet. A manual examination gave only speculative results, but a week of diagnostic testing confirmed the vet’s suspicions. It was chondrosarcoma, a locally aggressive bone cancer. It isn’t painful, which explained why Koda didn’t flinch when Erica touched it, but it is a silent killer. Chondrosarcoma hides itself until its too late to have successful intervention.

Thankfully, Erica had caught the disease fairly early. In that regard, Koda was incredibly lucky. Otherwise, the half size tennis ball mass would have grown and metastasized to his heart and lungs. Koda’s breathing would have been restricted and his heart would eventually find it too hard to pump blood.

Erica tried to take all of this in while her vet explained that Koda’s cartilage was forming a mass from his rib. To

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Mosby’s Mission

The Mosby Foundation is organized exclusively for charitable purposes, to assist in the care of critically sick, injured, abused and neglected dogs through financial support and public education. We are a 501(C)3 non-profit organization.

The Mosby Foundation

All of you dog lovers know the pain that comes as a result of dogs’ short life spans. We are all aware that the end will come way too soon, but we also hold onto the hope that maybe they will live to be old teenagers. It is heartbreaking when that is not the case. Currently, my wife and I are grieving the loss of “Augie,” our 9-year-old German Shorthaired Pointer that we rescued when he was 2. Augie was one of those special, tender dogs that had the heart of a lion and the gentleness of a lamb, our own therapy dog. Many of you would describe your own dogs the same way, I’m sure.

A fast-growing tumor on Augie’s neck required specialty surgery due to its proximity to lymph nodes, arteries and veins. Hemorrhage and cardiac arrest followed. Suddenly, he was gone. While still somewhat in shock, we console ourselves with having loved him as much as possible everyday he was with us. We were willing and able to do whatever it took, but sadly, to no avail.

Without doubt, the families that contact The Mosby Foundation for assistance to help their dogs in need of medical care are desperate. It is very compelling when they tell us they love their dogs as family members, just as we do; however, they are not as fortunate as my wife and I are, and don’t have the means to get the treatment their dogs need. With your continued support, we will continue trying to help their dogs, even knowing a small number will have a similar outcome to Augie’s. A donation of any amount will help us continue our work. It will also be greatly appreciated, especially by these dog families that are also trying to do whatever it takes.

In support of canines, who are our companions, friends and family, David Fitt
President

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eliminate the cancer, he would have to take at least three ribs out during surgery. Then he would have to reconstruct that area with healthy cartilage and muscle.

Koda would be able to live a normal life after surgery, but he would have to be careful with play. That means no more roughhousing with other dogs.

Incredibly, in the time it took to get the diagnostic work completed, the mass had grown substantially. Surgery needed to be performed in the next two weeks. If Erica waited even a month, it could cost her dog his life.

Shock set in. Two weeks? She had two weeks to come up with the money to save her dog’s life? She needed more time, but her vet shook his head. The most she had was two weeks. If she and Nick waited even a month, they would have to evaluate whether surgery was even an option.

As you can imagine, a procedure of this magnitude requires great skill and the price tag was high. Erica didn’t know what to do but she did know one thing. She didn’t want to lose her dog to some monstrous disease. “If I have to go broke saving Koda, then I’m doing it.”

With very little savings, Erica’s strongest ally was her determination to save the dog she loved. She put her shock and grief aside and put a plan into action, actually several plans.

Erica started a GoFundMe page and posted flyers in the dog park where Koda played. She approached local businesses that were known for donating to worthy causes, contacted non-profit groups for help, and she filled out a Care Credit application.

The result of her work was mixed. Most of the non-profit groups said that the case was too urgent and they couldn’t help. The GoFundMe page did produce some money, and local businesses gave a bit, but it was simply not enough. Erica even contacted the Humane Society asking for help. They, too, said the case was too urgent, and could not offer assistance in such a short period of time.

Bottom line, if Koda’s case had not required immediate surgery, Erica could have gotten plenty of help. As it was, she had almost none. Care Credit did come through with a six-month deadline to pay off the surgery to avoid paying a high interest rate.

That idea wasn’t appealing, but Erica decided to take a gamble. “It would give me six months to find more money to pay off the loan without the interest.”

When The Mosby Foundation received Erica’s application, we took a different view. Yes, it would require quick action, but we felt our donors would respond. We’re very proud to say that you did!

As Erica told us, “Since I found out that Koda had a mass, I have been so overwhelmed with so many feelings and emotions... If it wasn’t for you guys helping me, giving me all the options and support, I don’t know where I would be.”

But Erica wasn’t quite home yet.

Four days before the surgery, she called the vet office to confirm her payment plan. She was told that there was no payment plan and third party credit card payments could not be accepted.

The receptionist said she would cancel the surgery and re-schedule it later. But Erica had come too far to quit now. She refused to give up. Her dog was going to get this surgery. Period.

Finally, the receptionist agreed to accept The Mosby Foundation’s donation with the balance going on the Care Credit card.

It was a go and not a minute too soon. The mass had no regard for financial constraints. It had continued its warp speed growth. By the time Koda had his surgery, the surgeon had to remove 4 of his ribs instead of 3. To replace the ribs that were removed, cartilage and muscle were reconstructed to cover that area.

After the surgery, it was difficult to watch Koda because he was in so much pain. The vet initially kept him sedated to keep the pain manageable. Erica took three weeks off from work to care for her dog. Koda’s brother stayed with Erica’s mother to give Koda time to heal.

She and Nick placed a twin mattress on the floor next to the couch. There Koda could lean his body against the couch for support. The couple took shifts to stay with Koda until he got through the worst of it.

As difficult as this surgery was, this big lovable goofball pulled through with flying colors. Now a month later, it’s hard to believe Koda is recovering from bone cancer surgery. While he cannot run yet, he is up and moving around, making steady progress everyday.

The one thing he hasn’t let go of since his surgery is the sad puppy-dog-eyes look. “He’s got that down to a science,” Erica told us.

That’s okay. He deserves it. For a dog that didn’t have a lot of time on his side, he now has all the time in the world. 🐶
**Rocky - Barnegat, NJ**
Rocky is an 8 yr old Chihuahua from NJ. Because his surgery was done at a hospital two hours’ drive from his family, they stayed with him throughout the surgery, which went very well. His family is so grateful to The Mosby Foundation for helping their boy.

**Millie - Fort Lauderdale, FL**
This very active 5 yr old German Shepherd has only three legs and sometimes uses a cart. Now, however, she needs ACL surgery. The Mosby Foundation has contributed toward Millie’s surgery, and her mom is now working to get the rest of the funding.

**Hershey - Grand Rapids, MI**
Hershey is a 13 yr old Pointer/Lab mix who had a malignant melanoma behind his eye. Thanks to The Mosby Foundation, he received surgery, which successfully removed the tumor. Hershey had lost some weight, but his grateful mom is fattening him up again, and says she and the vet are very happy with the outcome.

**Buggie - Candia, NH**
A 12 yr old Puggle (Pug/Beagle mix) from NH, little Buggie had tumors in his mouth and two legs. The Mosby Foundation helped with the cost of his successful surgery, and Buggie and his mom are back to their normal lives again.

**Roxie - Franklin, LA**
Roxie is a 1 yr old Boxer who had luxating patellas, a condition where the kneecaps slip out of place, causing a lot of pain. Roxie’s surgery went well, and she is on her way to being her normal bouncy, wiggly, energetic Boxer self, with no more limping or pain.

**Gimme Shelter**
We are helping so many dogs, we do not have space to list them all!

**Tinks - Levittown, PA**
This 11 year old Toy Fox Terrier, had a mass on her paw causing her a lot of discomfort and pain. Thanks to our donors, surgery to remove the mass was performed. Tinks is feeling so much better and is able to romp and play with her “sister” without any pain. Her owner was extremely appreciative of the help we were able to offer.

**Cedric - Lancaster, CA**
Cedric, an 8 yr old Pit Bull, was an unexpected addition to his mom’s life when her son moved out and left Cedric. Initially uncertain about taking care of him herself, Cedric’s mom now calls him the love of her life and her only companion. When this gentle boy developed a large growth in his armpit that was very uncomfortable, his mom turned to The Mosby Foundation for help paying for surgery to remove the growth.

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Rocky Manderson - East Point, GA
A 4 yr old Pit Bull, Rocky had bilateral entropion, meaning that his eyelids turned inward, making his eyelashes scrape on his corneas, causing constant discomfort. The irritation can also lead to loss of vision. The Mosby Foundation helped pay for his surgery, and his family is so grateful for his relief.

Gambit - Charlottesville, VA
Gambit is a young Jack Russell Terrier mix who was diagnosed with a rare, potentially fatal blood condition caused by a reaction to medication given for Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever. Treatment consists of six months of blood transfusions and steroids. Gambit has begun the therapy and is doing well, although he has a long road ahead. His mom is so happy, and so thankful that The Mosby Foundation was able to help her boy.

Bella - Shenandoah, VA
Bella, a 9 yr old German Shepherd/Whippet mix, was diagnosed with hemangiosarcoma, a cancer common in German Shepherds. Her mom contacted us and we were happy to contribute to Bella’s treatment with a canine oncologist. At last report, Bella has received her treatments and seems to be responding very well.

Otto - Fort Lee, VA
Otto is a 2 yr old Malinois/Shepherd mix. Neglected and abused in his previous home and once adopted found to have heartworms. His new mom and dad, both Army MPs, are stationed in different states. Otto lives with his mom in Fort Lee, VA. With our help, he received treatment for the heartworms, and his dad is eager to see how well his boy is doing.

Dezzie - Denver, CO
Dezzie is a young 8 month old German Shepherd from Denver who was born with two heart malformations that would have severely restricted her activity and could shorten her life. After surgery to correct the issues, Dezzie’s family reports that she is doing beautifully. “My son and I could not bear the thought of losing her. She is an integral member of the family.”

Cooper - St. Paul, MN
Cooper is a 6 yr old Lab who had aspergillosis, a fungal infection often associated with exposure to hay, grass and dust. After a very rocky post-treatment, Cooper’s mom reports that he is finally back to his old self, and is full of energy. While it will be a while before the infection is completely gone, the vet says the worst is over and it’s all downhill from here.

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OMG! Thank you so much. Words cannot express how happy I am for my furbaby Cody!

Again, thank you so much. It is greatly appreciated! Cody thanks you too.

Pam
Allentown, PA

Flea’s check up went really well. Everything looks good and he can return to eating crunchy treats; in fact, the vet gave him a bag of their homemade ones. (Flea still has his back “chompers”) Again, I can’t thank you guys enough. You literally helped save my “Little Man’s” life. Little Man is Flea’s nickname because he acts just like a little gentleman all the time.

Karen & Flea,
Cedar Park, TX

Boots had her 4th treatment of CCNU last week. Her dosage had to be lowered because of her low blood count. Her blood count dropped again with a lower dose, but that was countered with antibiotics. Overall she is doing well. No evidence of regrowth and she is eating normally and acting fine. She still likes to play and cause trouble. She gets a bit of nausea around day 3-5 after chemo but that is normal. Reglan helps that. Thank you again to The Mosby Foundation for their donation for Bootsie’s care.

Thank you so much for your generous donation! We truly appreciate The Mosby Foundation’s generosity and support through this time. We will be forever grateful for the opportunity you have given to help save our beloved dog, Dillon. His breed is actually an American Staffordshire Terrier but the vet associates him with the pitbull breed as well.

Again, I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for The Mosby Foundation’s support and donation! The world is very fortunate enough to have a foundation like yours to help those who need it.

Thank you,
Kristie McNall
Scarborough, ME

I thank you for your help with Oreo’s double eye surgery. He is so content now & no longer suffering. He & my family thank you for making it possible.

Hope Sewell
Lynn, MA

Aurora’s surgery went well. She had a huge mass removed. The doctor said she never saw anything like it. They sent it to the lab to find out what it was and to see if it was cancerous. She will get her stitches out in 14 days. She seems lively and happy. Thank you again for all the help from you. God Bless you!

Lisa and Steve
Drums, PA

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Because of The Mosby Foundation and your donors, Fiasco is doing great!!!! He is finally putting on some of the weight he lost after surgery and chemo. Thank you!

Alex & Fiasco
Katy, Texas

Oh my gosh! Boy does this bring tears to my eyes. Dunk and I are forever thankful and we are looking forward to a healthier future. Thank you so much for such a great gesture, restoring my faith in humanity.

Dunk and Mel
Clifton, NJ

Bubby had 7 teeth pulled, a cyst taken off his mouth, and was neutered. No cancer or any other issues and he has a clean bill of health! We thank you so very much for giving us the grant to help in our time of need. Thank you for being my baby’s angel!

Nikki
New Albany, IN

Hershey’s eye and tumor were removed. The tumor was malignant melanoma. We are hoping it was contained within the eye and bone that they removed. He has lost weight. We are hoping it was because he was miserable and in pain. It’s a watch and wait game for a bit. I’ve been boiling chicken, beef, rice, potatoes, etc, and adding it to his food, as well as a muscle-improving crushed supplement. Sometimes he eats well; other times not. He wants to walk all the time, maybe restlessness, maybe just happier and feeling better. Definitely feeling better.

Karrie & Hershey
Grand Rapids, MI

Sasha is great and is doing fantastic, no symptoms. She is very alert and normal again, feisty as usual and crazy playful! She is scheduled for a CT scan and hopefully there is nothing else left in there other than her pretty brain. Thank you for all you did for my girl! You were and always will be our angels. I will be in touch again for updates and continue for life. I have been through so much the last few months. My life changed from a very stable successful life to homeless, broke, cold, hungry, alone and scared. With no one around but far away friends. By some miracle I am still going and my baby girl is alive and well!

Sasha and Shae
Seattle, WA

Roxie is four days post-op. She is doing extremely well considering she just had an intense surgery. I am forever grateful for the help we received from you. We definitely couldn't have done it without y'all. I'm expecting her to be back to her bouncy, wiggly, energetic boxer self in no time. The Mosby Foundation has been a blessing sent from above and we are extremely appreciative. With your help, Roxie has a chance to have her own happily ever after with no more limping or constant leg pain.

Again, thank you so very much!

Roxie Valentine & Caitlin
Franklinton, LA

Thank you so very very much for helping the love of my life and my only companion, my boy, Cedric. He has a good, gentle soul and is so goofy. He loves life. He means so very much to me. You are angels on earth. Thank you and God Bless.

Marie Tello
Lancaster, CA

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Nancy and Maggie
Taylorsville, IL

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Jody Fuller
Florissant, MO

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Have you found any beagles?" Patty, co-director of the Beagle Rescue League in New Jersey, asked the West Virginia shelter.

The answer, not surprisingly, was yes. They had picked up one small beagle wandering along a back road. She was painfully thin, weak, and coughing a lot due to a heavy load of heartworms. In fact, she was scheduled to be euthanized because the shelter couldn’t afford treatment.

"We’ll take her," Patty told them. Released at the 11th hour from certain death, the beagle named Sahara made the long journey from West Virginia to New Jersey without incident. Patty made arrangements for Karen, one of their volunteers to foster her while the rescue arranged for heartworm treatment.

Patty laughed when she told us the story about Sahara and Karen. "When Karen met Sahara, we knew we had what we call a black hole dog. That dog wasn’t going anywhere." And she didn’t.

Sahara’s doe eyes with a thick fringe of lashes was the first step to winning Karen’s heart. "She was so small and so cute," Karen told us. "And her personality was so sweet; I just couldn’t let her go."

Sahara recovered from her heartworm infection, and true to her easy going nature, she got along very well with Karen’s other two beagles, Cagney and Kyle. Her regular routine was to sleep with Cagney, wrapping herself around him.

“She’s just a perfect little dog!” Karen said, beaming. For about six years, Sahara enjoyed the good life. You never would have known that this little shrimp of a dog had had such a hard life. Love mends a lot of hearts, but it also helped that Sahara had such a tender, loving heart, too.

Under Karen’s care, Sahara gained weight. She had no significant health problems until eight months ago. That’s when the recurrent bladder infections began. While Sahara always recovered from the infections, inevitably, the infections would come back.

Quite by accident, Karen noticed one day that Sahara’s urine didn’t look right. Then she saw that it was loaded with blood. Something was really wrong.

An ultrasound revealed that Sahara had a cancerous tumor in her bladder. Dr. Werner, Sahara’s vet, was hopeful because it appeared to be operable. However, when he performed the surgery, he found that the tumor was intricately wrapped around the bladder. There was no way to remove all of it.

TCC, or invasive transitional cell carcinoma, is the most common and deadliest bladder cancer in dogs. It’s sneaky, and can spread to other vital organs, and it’s very rare for the disease to go into remission.

This was the cancer Sahara had.

As you can imagine, Karen was devastated. She looked into Sahara’s soft brown eyes and made a promise.

Karen promised her perfect little dog that when the time came, she would not keep Sahara earthbound because she didn’t want to let her go. But until that time, Karen would do everything possible to keep Sahara’s quality of life exactly that, quality, pain-free and happy.

It was a big promise from a woman who had little money, but Karen wasn’t about to let that stop her.

A veterinary oncologist told her about a study that Purdue University was conducting on dogs with bladder cancer. It was with the top canine oncologist in the country, Dr. Deborah Knapp.

This study did not use traditional chemotherapy. As Karen said, “Chemotherapy is chemo. It could maybe give Sahara six months. I had to do something different.” Instead, the Purdue chemotherapy combined folate with a particular chemotherapy drug.

This targeted treatment guards the healthy cells as much as possible with the folate, while the drug attacks the cancer, sparing the patient major side effects.

When Karen heard that, she was determined to get Sahara into the study. When Chris, Dr. Knapp’s nurse, read Karen’s comment about getting into the study, she saw how committed Karen was. “I just want to try everything I can to help her and I know Dr. Knapp is the best at what she does. So I want to be involved in the study.”

Then Chris saw that Karen lived in New Jersey, not Indiana! Karen was accepted into the study. ‘It was obvious from the start that Karen doesn’t care what it takes. She just wants the best for Sahara. Karen knows that TCC is very rarely cured. She just wants her to have a good quality of life. That’s really big for her.”

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The first time they flew to Indiana, Karen missed her flight. She and Sahara slept at the airport and caught the next flight out the following day. "If that isn't dedication," Chris said. "I don't know what it is."

Karen’s veterinarian would give Sahara the targeted chemotherapy once a week. Once each month, Karen and Sahara fly out to Purdue for intensive follow up. The drug company covers the majority of Sahara’s treatment there, but it does not cover her flights or Dr. Werner’s treatments.

Dr. Knapp’s team performs an ultrasound to see if the tumor is shrinking. They also review Sahara’s blood work to make sure her red and white blood cells are holding steady. Sahara also gets her chemos treatment while there. So far, her little body is responding.

She’s a bit of a rock star in the treatment room because her personality is so sweet and kind. “We just love on her while she gets her treatment,” Chris said. “We give her peanut butter and treats so she doesn’t care about the catheter. We want to make this as positive an experience as possible so that Sahara will be excited about coming back to get her chemo.”

Sahara has only had one side effect. “She seems to be hungrier,” Karen said. For Sahara, it appears that this is all just one big adventure. Amazing, isn’t it?

To help with Sahara’s treatments with Dr. Werner, Karen turned to the web to find financial help. That’s when she found The Mosby Foundation.

When we saw that face, we were smitten, too! We read Sahara’s story and knew she had been lucky enough to cheat death once. We shared Karen’s commitment to giving Sahara an asymptomatic, good quality of life. That’s why we gladly made a donation toward her chemotherapy treatments with Dr. Werner.

So how long can Sahara remain asymptomatic? No one knows. With this targeted treatment, there’s a 70% chance it will go into remission.

But as Chris points out, “Some dogs go years before the tumor starts to grow.”

Once that happens, and it will happen, Karen will have to find a different chemotherapy treatment. Or, if Sahara’s quality of life has become degraded, she will have to live up to her promise to Sahara.

Each moment with Sahara is precious. Each silly little act takes on a heightened appreciation of their time together. Just watching Sahara hungrily eat her chow is a joyful experience. It’s a reminder of how transient and temporary all of life is.

In a way, each of us who loves a dog loves them like it’s the 11th hour of their life. You rejoice.

Karen rejoices every day. Don’t you? 🐾

BRAVO!

ALL OF OUR DONORS, we simply couldn’t do any of this without your support! You are truly our backbone!

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To anyone we may have forgotten……..We truly apologize! Please let us know because we don’t want to leave anyone out. We value your time and help! Also, as you can see we are ALWAYS in need of volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, please let us know what you would like to do and what kind of time you have to volunteer.

Mosby
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You’ve helped so many 1996-2003
Memorials

IN MEMORY OF DOGS

SOPHIE, from Janice Ballinger

JACK, a wonderful dog for all seasons. Much loved & much missed, from Beverly Faulkenberry

JACK, a devoted, ever lovable companion, from Barbara & Becky Breithbarth

FINDEM GARGOYLE, our sweet, funny, goofy Greyhound. A true dog’s dog, from Karin Magno & family

FINDEM, the coolest Greyhound ever. It was a true honor to know you, love Carole Adams

AMANDA ROSE, I miss you so much, love Jan Johnson

AMANDA ROSE, I miss you and love you, from Alice Mae Johnson

DIETER HUNGERFORD, from Henley Gabeau

CLOVER DYER, in loving memory of Marcella’s precious Clover, from Mollie McCurdy

BEAU WADE, thank you for always sharing your toy basket with me. I miss you. Your cousin K.C., from Barbara & Thomas Amatucci

MILO HADEN, beloved Lab of the Hadens, from Clarence & Maureen Burton

AUGIE, beloved German Short-haired Pointer, of Kathy Crow and David Fitt. Augie had the heart of a lion and was as gentle as a lamb, from Beverly Faulkenberry

MISSY, from David & Rebecca Francis

SAMMY, beloved companion of Nod & Theresa Osmer, from Rick & Jane Smith

MABEL JOHNSON, from Janet, Terry & Otter Riddleberger

CASEY, from Rebecca Rader

CIERA AND CODY, two wonderful dogs whose love & antics will remain forever in their owners hearts, from Barbara & Tom Amatucci

KATIE SCHOOLEY, sweet black Lab of Ann & Charlie Schooley, from Jean T. Hoffman

EMMA BOUKNIGHT, from Janet, Terry & Otter Riddleberger

BIJOU, a sweet rescued Beagle/Basset mix girl who ended up living a wonderful life with Mollie McCurdy and her other rescued dogs, from Carole & Johnny Adams

BIJOU, my precious and loving “Bagel”, from Mollie McCurdy

RUGER, a silver lab, who was killed from being attacked by two other dogs, RIP sweet boy, from Anonymous

ROCK, beloved companion of Deb Matthews & Chey Larson, from Richard Hilleison

ADELE, faithful friend of Henley Gabeau, from Margaret Henderson

IN MEMORY OF PEOPLE

SUE SCHROER, from Mark & Peg Carty

JOHN A. MORRA, devoted animal lover and my Dad, from Karin Magno and employees of Northrop Grumman Corp., Charlottesville, VA

AVANELL EWING, from Bev Grimes

MAJOR JOHN PELHAM, from Heather Harris

RAY BONACCI, from Louise Moccia

IN HONOR OF PEOPLE

The hard working STAFF OF THE MOSBY FOUNDATION, from Sheila & Ray Roeder

DEBORAH ARMSTRONG, for rescuing JACK and giving him the most loving home any dog or person could hope for, from Barbara Breithbarth

JENNY BREITHBARTH, as JACK’S second Mom giving him loving care extraordinaire, from Barbara Breithbarth

EDITH VON STUEMER, from Claire Jacobsen

KAREN BRACKEN-PENLEY, and all the dogs she has loved and cared for including Guiding Eye dogs, from Karen Van Es

IN HONOR OF DOGS

BABY GIRL & BEAU PINE, two precious dogs from your 1st quarter newsletter, from Karen Van Es

TINK, BOOTS & NEO, from Pete Dey

MARLEY, the best dog ever! From John & Carol Warren

TRIP, from Joan Eberly

ISABELLA, beloved dog, from Barbara & Jim Bradley

SARA STEINACKER, from Erica Stoecker

LENA MAGNO, an awesome, beautiful Cocker Spaniel who took a copperhead snake bite before her owner did. Thankfully both survived with treatment. LENA, you are a true canine HERO!!!

Your Donations At Work

William is a local man in Staunton, VA who came into The Mosby Foundation office a couple weeks ago to get some pet food. William is fighting cancer and he is not doing very well. He has two Pomeranians and a cat that he loves very much who I am sure are helping him cope in his battle with cancer. Right now, he depends on Mosby to help him with food for his pets. He is very, very appreciative of being able to get food for his pets. His smile says it all!

We wanted to share this and say thanks for allowing The Mosby Foundation to be part of the Rescue Bank’s overflow program - and thanks to Rescue Bank and the pet food manufacturers for allowing us to help folks like William.

A special thank you to SUSAN VINCENT for taking care of William’s dogs and cats as he struggles with battling his cancer.

Gimme Shelter

going to 5

Tasha - Grand Rapids, MI

This 9 yr old Goldendoodle, is a service dog. When Tasha developed a mass on her shoulder, the family turned to The Mosby Foundation for help with surgical costs. They say that she is doing great, and truly appreciate the assistance.
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