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PERPETUAL CARE

2023 IMPACT REPORT

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*Our mission is to give pet owners the comfort of knowing their pets will be cared for and loved when their owner passes away, because every pet owner deserves that peace of mind, and every pet deserves a loving home.*

## DEDICATED TO BAILEY



This year our annual impact report and our Season of Giving Campaign are dedicated to Bailey. Bailey was our oldest resident at the Perpetual Care Life Care Center (14+) and she was the longest term resident (13 years). Bailey passed on November 24th, the day after Thanksgiving. Bailey had an enlarged heart, elevated kidney levels and problems with her lungs which took a toll on her small body. Bailey was happy and feisty right up to Thanksgiving Day and she passed peacefully.

Bailey weighed just 4 pounds and could fit into a large purse or carry bag. She loved going for a trike ride and enjoyed being the center of attention. She had “Bat ears” that perked up whenever she heard her name called, which was often.



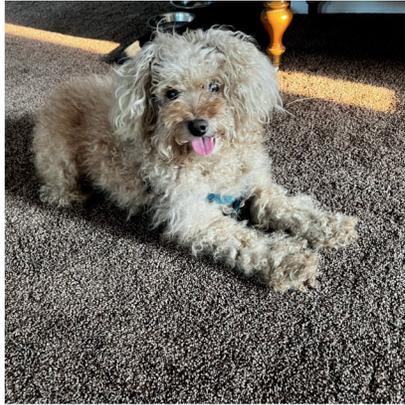
Bailey spent most of her life at Perpetual care as part of a pack with 3 other dogs. We called them “The Fab Four”. She was the Leader of the Pack being the only female with 3 males, Noah, Tux and Smokey. Together they were very charming and entertaining. She was the last survivor of The Fab Four who passed between 2021 and 2023. They all remain in our hearts forever.

## A RESCUE STORY

*We help pet owners who do not have someone to designate as a caregiver for their pets in the event of death or disability by working with them to enroll their pets with Perpetual Care. We also rescue pets when their owner passes away and they did not have a plan for their pets. Our rescue pets always come to us in need of veterinary care and no funds to provide for their ongoing care. For those pets, we use donations to Perpetual Care that go into our sponsorship fund for their care.*

### ROXIE'S RESCUE

Roxie Before



Roxie came to Perpetual Care when her owner went into the hospital and was then admitted to a nursing care facility. She was matted and had fleas and had not been to a vet in so long there were no vet records for her. Her owner had been ill for a long time.

Roxie was groomed immediately, bathed and taken to the vet. She is mostly blind due to very bad cataracts that she has had for a long time, although she is only 7 years old. We took her to a specialist but it was decided that she is not a good candidate for cataract surgery. Because she is virtually blind, she will remain at the Perpetual Care Life Care Center.

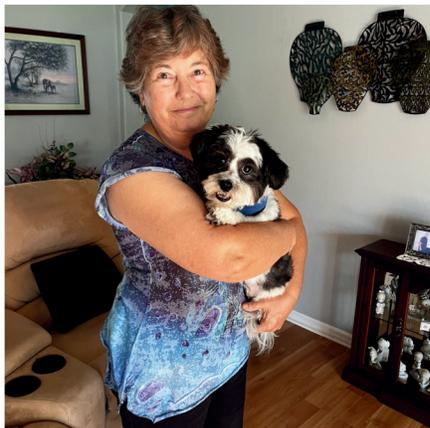
Roxie After



Roxie is a happy and playful girl who fits in with the pack at the life care center and she is loved. You would never know she is almost blind. She plays with her toys and plays tug of war with her pal Rusty.

## HAPPY TAILS

*When we bring orphaned pets to our life care center we place them for up for adoption because we want our pets to have their own home whenever possible. It makes us so happy when we find a wonderful match for our pets. We want to share the joy with you because you make it all possible.*



Joan, who was Max's (Formerly Brandy) owner became very ill and frail in 2023. She had already made arrangements for Max to come to Perpetual Care so we took him in immediately. He was only 3 years old and a very happy frisky boy so we placed him up for adoption. His new Owner, Loretta (left) is over the moon about Max. She lost her husband the prior year and loves having Max for company.

Savannah's owner passed away in 2023 and fortunately she had a very kind neighbor who took in the cat, but she already had cats and could not keep Savannah. We were able to help her find a new loving home for Savannah. The owner is a lady named Suuzen, who is just thrilled that Savannah is a sweet and affectionate cat. (We are told Savannah is now named Myna)



Ozzy came to Perpetual Care in 2022 when his owner became too ill to care for him. Ozzy is a miniature Schnauzer and when we placed him up for adoption, we were fortunate to find Steve and his wife who were previous Schnauzer owners. They loved Ozzy immediately and he was in heaven with all their love and attention!

Joey came to Perpetual Care with his housemate, Ozzy. Joey was a scared boy initially and he was nippy so we were not sure he would be adoptable. We took a chance and posted him and that was when he met Barbara and Raymond. It was love at first sight and he was so calm and peaceful with them, we knew it was a perfect match.



## MEDICAL ASSISTS

*We love that our mission brings pet owners as well as their pets into our lives and we are able to share in the love people have for their pets. We help them to be able to keep their pets when they (the owners) become ill or when their pets become ill. We are there for both of them in their time of need and they all become part of our family.*



Claire's owner, Bryanna, approached Perpetual Care when Claire was diagnosed with a life-threatening diaphragmatic hernia. We did not have enough funds in our coffers to assist, but we offered to help her raise the \$5,000 needed for her surgery. We were able to raise the funds and the surgery was successful. They are now part of the family!

Steve and his therapy dog, Kali came to us for help when Kali was diagnosed with mouth cancer. He is wheelchair bound and is an amputee and depends on Kali. We had funds in our sponsorship fund that we committed to her surgery. She had half of her lower jaw removed, had to learn to eat soft food, but she is doing great. We stay in touch and help with special food for Kali.



In 2022 Buster and Max came to Perpetual Care for 8 months while Trudy went into the hospital then rehab, and later, needed to find a new place to live. Max passed away after he went back home with Trudy and after he passed, we took Buster back home to be with Trudy. We stay in touch and visit regularly.

Lee went into the hospital in 2022 and had to be admitted to a rehabilitation facility. He would have had to give his dogs, Kenya and Majesty, to a shelter if they could not come to Perpetual Care. We cared for Kenya and Jess for 9 months and returned them to Lee in 2023. We paid for Kenya's vet care and final arrangements when Kenya passed in September 2023. We visit Lee and Majesty at least monthly.



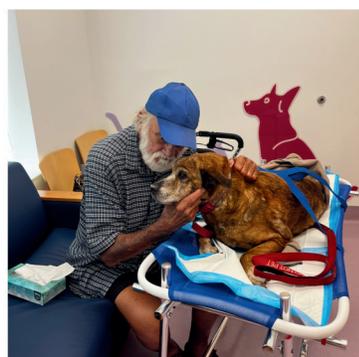
## RAINBOW BRIDGE

*When it is time for our resident pets or pets for whom we have provided medical assistance to pass over the rainbow bridge, we work with our veterinarians to ensure they have a peaceful passing. We also provide them with a respectful service and honor their memory.*



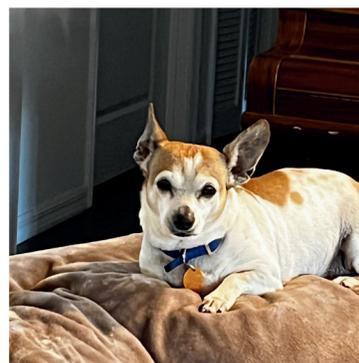
Bailey was 14+ years old when she passed peacefully on November 24, 2023. She was a resident at Perpetual Care for 13+ years. She was a feisty girl with a huge personality and she loved people. Rest in Peace Bailey.

Penny came to us in 2022 when her owner passed away. The owner's nurse brought Penny to us because his son told her to just shoot her. Penny came to us in January 2022 and remained with us until her passing on March 24, 2023 at the age of 13 years old. Penny was affectionate and cuddly with people and other dogs. She took over our hearts from the first day. Rest in Peace Penny.



Kenya was the mother of Majesty. She was a Catahoula dog and Majesty a Catahoula mix. They both stayed at Perpetual Care for 9 months while their owner, Lee was in the hospital and in a rehab center. She was 15 years old when she passed on September 17, 2023. Rest in Peace Kenya.

Joey came to Perpetual Care in 2022. Joey had a troubled past and had been passed around a few times until he came to the owner before he came to us. Joey was adopted early in 2023, but they discovered he had cancer. Perpetual Care paid for his medical care until he passed. We are grateful that in the final months of his life he finally had people who loved and cared for him. Rest in Peace Joey.



## SEASON OF GIVING

Our life care center is a home on a farm in Ocala, Florida. Our pets have less trauma and stress because they are in a loving home environment. We are set up to find our pets a new loving home, but also designed to be a home where they can live out the remainder of their lives with love and care .



It is the holiday season of caring and giving and the time of year that Perpetual Care reaches back out to ask for your support to keep us operating and saving orphaned pets.

We are currently experiencing a financial deficit due to all of the veterinary care we have provided for our rescues, residents and pet owners in the community. Please help us to cover the costs of veterinary care and fill our coffers in preparation for the upcoming year in order to continue to help people and pets in their time of need.

**YOU can make an impact and save orphaned pets by supporting Perpetual Care.**

Our pets are are so grateful and we are grateful to You!

Ways to Donate:

- Donate on our website at [www.perpetualcare.org](http://www.perpetualcare.org) or scan the QR code to the right.
- Mail donations to Perpetual Care  
PO Box 773548, Ocala, FL 34477



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