

Puppy Love

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The Amazing Chanel

Chanel was only six weeks old when she was adopted by Mrs. Shaughnessy, a single mother, serving in the United States Army in Newport News, Virginia. Chanel even traveled across the globe and lived in Germany for six years when her pet parent was stationed there. In her later years, she wore tinted goggles for cataracts, was transported by stroller when the distance was too long for her to walk and she liked to wear sweaters because she was sensitive to the cold. Chanel died of natural causes at her home in Jefferson Station, New York, at the age of 21. She held the Guinness Book of World Records as the longest living dog until she was out lived by Otto in 2010. Good news! Chanel was a miniature dachshunds!



Camibella enjoying her first snowfall.

**Some angels choose fur
instead of wings.**



*When our hearts
are broken...*

The *Association for Pet Loss and Bereavement* is a global organization dedicated to offering support to pet parents who are bereaving for a beloved pet. APLB is staffed by professionally trained volunteers and their services are free. They have an extensive network of resources available on their website: APLB.org. We are blessed that our little doxies have a long life expectancy to look forward to, but when it becomes time to say good-bye APLB will be there to provide the support we need during our heartfelt loss.

Rainbow Bridge

There is a bridge connecting Heaven and Earth. It's called the Rainbow Bridge because of its many colors. Just this side of the Rainbow Bridge there is a land of hills, meadows and valleys with lush green grass.

When a beloved pet dies, he goes to this place where there is food and water and warm spring weather.

The old and frail animals are young again. Those who are maimed are made whole again.

They play all day with each other.

There is only one thing missing.

They are not with their special person who loved them on earth.

So each day they run and play until the day comes when one suddenly stops playing and looks up! The nose twitches! The ears are up! The eyes are staring! And this one suddenly runs from the group! You have been seen and when you and your special friend meet, you take them in your arms and embrace. Your face is kissed again and again and you look once more into the eyes of your trusting pet. Then you cross the Rainbow Bridge together, never again to be separated.

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