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KHS Gives Rocket a Leg Up on a New Life

From injured and lifeless to healthy and spunky — that’s the journey one lucky Shitzu made, thanks to the care of a loving foster. It’s yet another example of how your contributions to the Kansas Humane Society truly help make a difference in improving animals’ lives.

Rocket came to the Kansas Humane Society in 2013 unable to bear any weight on his left back

leg, but it was the emotional toll his injuries had on his spirit that concerned his then foster.

“In the beginning I said, ‘Why did they name him Rocket?’ I just didn’t see his personality,” she said.

But after surgery, months of rehabilitation, and the help of a supportive brace, the once dejected dog is now able to keep up with all five of his new

four-legged family members and has earned the nickname “Rocket Man.”

The improvement started when a KHS veterinarian removed a portion of Rocket’s broken leg to alleviate some of his pain. After the surgery, we found a suitable foster family in long time volunteers Linda Sifford and Heath Johnson.

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The couple took Rocket to the Countryside Vet Clinic twice a week for laser treatments and physical therapy. Dr. Brenda Cederberg donated her services and eventually fitted a brace that could give Rocket more mobility. The effect was immediate. Linda said, "He walked right over and stared up at her (Dr. Cederberg) and when she looked down at him, he wiggled his tail and walked around, like, 'See what I can do now!' It was an amazing transformation. He's a different dog now."

The little dog's big transformation melted the hearts of his foster parents and earned him a spot in their home forever. Linda says helping Rocket heal also helped her family heal after the loss of their beloved Chihuahua: "I think he was brought to me at this time because maybe I needed him. Even though we have all these other dogs, he's really special."



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In the first quarter of 2015, the Kansas Humane Society was ranked fifth in charities receiving funds through the Dillons Community Rewards program. \$5,500 was received by KHS supporters linking their rewards cards to KHS; so far, about 500 have done so. Please take time today to sign up to start benefitting KHS.

Go to <http://kshumane.org/blog/2015/01/shop-with-dillons-community-rewards-help-khs-pets/> for instructions or call us at (316) 220-8707 for assistance.

A Lasting Tribute



A pet tile on a wall at the Kansas Humane Society honors not only a companion animal, but memorializes its owner as well.

Sean Nance recently paid double tribute to his Lab mix, Lily, and his late wife, Danielle, by dedicating a tile in their names. Danielle was 27 years old with a 4-year-old son Aiden when she died of cancer in December 2014. The couple adopted Lily from KHS just before they married in 2009.

Wichita artist
Sondra Alexander
creates the customized
pet tiles from photos

that donors can dedicate with a \$2,500 contribution to KHS. If you are interested in honoring a special pet, (and, perhaps its owner, as Sean did) contact donor relations manager Anna Van Bunnan at (316) 220-8706 or annavanbunnan@kshumane.org.



WOOFSTOCK

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CELEBRATE PEACE, LOVE AND PETS at Woofstock 2015 and support the Kansas Humane Society. It's our 19th annual dog friendly fundraising event. Create a team, raise money, and earn prizes! Then join us as we celebrate the friendship we share with our furry friends and help provide a better future for homeless pets in our community.

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OCTOBER 3, 2015

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9:30 AM - 3:00 PM



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Forever Family

Compassionate pet cremation services help families in times of need

It's something no pet parent wants to think about, but when the time comes to say goodbye to man's best friend, the Kansas Humane Society is here to help pet owners through this difficult time. The staff work to bring peace of mind to grieving pet parents through the Forever Family pet cremation program.

For the past 13 years, the program has allowed owners to memorialize their beloved pets in a dignified manner. One animal lover recently thanked KHS for offering the service, saying, "While the death of a pet is never easy, your Forever Friends service brought a bit of peace and comfort during a difficult time."

Even though this is a fee-for-service program, those fees do not fully support the program. Private donations from people like you assist us in being able to provide this and other programs and services to pets and their people. In addition to private cremation, some



"The animal was not our friend, but a member of our family . . . and will be forever and ever, and ever." – Rudyard Kipling.

people choose to give a memorial donation to remember their pet.

Clients may make arrangements for an individual pet cremation through their Wichita area veterinarian or directly with KHS by calling (316) 524-9196. Find more information online at <http://www.kshumane.org/services/end-of-life.php>

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\$60

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\$200