



Remembering Raelyn's Hugs 'N Wishes

She was our "Celtic Charmer" and called

Celtie

May 31, 1997 ~ December 7, 2012

Celtie was our first wheaten,
and such fun we got a second. She
became a wonderful trainer and big sister
for Doogan and when we sadly lost him at 8 years,
she became a big sister again for Higgins two years later.
She was a healthy, happy little girl and when just a few months
before her 15th birthday she was diagnosed with kidney problems,
she was an unbelievable trooper with a strict regiment for nine months.
She was with us for 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ years, and we are thankful for each and every
day. Celtie showed us how to make the most of aging, keeping her
charm, beauty, sense of humor and integrity. While she was a
bit hard of hearing and arthritic, the little girl that plied
for sympathy as a youngster, took arthritic aches,
pains and falls with grace. She was remarkable!
She gave so much to us that it was wonderful
to be her nurse in her beautiful old age.





Celtie

She was dainty, petite, but spunky.

A rag doll, cuddly and good at 'body melds' but somewhat stingy with her gentle peppery kisses. She gave big greetings with jumps and kisses and loved being the center of everyone's attention. Being polite with good manners, she attained her title of CGC rather easily, and also took obedience and agility classes. She loved back scratches, campfires with her daddy, and food! In fact, she was a food fanatic and an expert on time, expecting meals to be served promptly, checking in with a bark ten minutes before meal time. She was also a food thief, and while guests were warned that she would rummage through purses and suitcases, several remembered her for sniffing out various goodies from their guest room!! She enjoyed being pampered and if possibly hurt she'd play it to the hilt for sympathy. She could be a bit bossy, and could put Doogan and Higgins in their place, even though they were both larger. She was an excellent swimmer and diver; loved boating, especially the wave runner, reaching behind to give "thank you" kisses while zooming along. A good traveler gave her lots of fun years traveling in 46 states.

A darling tilt of the head when being spoken to or striking a pose made her quite the model. Posing was something she was good at so when a camera came out, she moved into position, even joining in group pictures where she wasn't invited. She was asked to model, posing for artist Judith Martin for a Genetic Research Fund campaign poster. With the red hat society theme Celtie wore a red hat with purple flowers and a purple bandana.

