



## Annabelle: "going on five"

Annabelle was a puppy mill rescue, coming to us with a tennis ball sized tumor on her rear leg. She was also heavily heartworm positive. In addition Annabelle was forced to suffer the indignity of being born and raised in a puppy mill, and forced to be bred continually over 4 years, with absolutely no regard for her own health.

We followed a path we thought was in her best interests, had her spayed, and had the mast cell tumor removed, with help from Lifeline Animal Project. She had a rough go of it from that experience, and was once pulled back from death's door by Dr. Jackson; ( into the late hours one nite), at Dearborn Animal Hospital, in Decatur GA.

Later came the decision to treat for Heartworms, and eight days later she gave up her fight. Happiness came to her for only a little more than 3 months of her life. She was thrilled just to get fresh crate beddings, we felt she considered that a highlight in her life. How shameful that is. She did get to roam free in the backyard, with the others, during her short freedom. She saw the sunlight and how she enjoyed being showered at last in its warming rays.



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Sad tales, and there are worse, folks who buy at **Pet stores like Pet land and standalone Pet Shops trading in puppies; like Puppies Galore and countless others, and “backyard breeders”** who market in the classifieds, are contributing to the outrage.



No dogs deserve to “domiciled” in a shed or barn, or old oil drum, and receive no love, and at best marginal, care, more likely abuse, at the hands of their “jailers” They deserve to have freedom, and love and live in harmony with their people.

Dogs don’t deserve to be chained, and ignored, or subject to cruelty at the hands of humans.

I’m sure that Annabelle has more forgiveness in her heart for those who abused her; as she waits at the Rainbow Bridge, than I do. We only regret her life of “winter” was blessed with such a short “spring”.

Bye Annabelle!

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