

“Aletris and I have been a team since Sept 2004. She is 10. I rescued her at 6 mo the night before she was to go to the pound. Thankfully, hearing of her situation, that never happened. Aletris was diagnosed with Plasma cell tumors and IMHA(a rare, frustrating and life threatening immune disorder) within 6 months of each other. A few months before that with sever arthritis in her lumbar and sacrum areas, as well as a toe break that wouldn't heal a year prior to that. Aletris has a plasma cell tumor in her mouth with now a second one growing and the first getting larger, that must be removed. She will need to have the tumors removed and any surrounding tissue. She was diagnosed on December 12, 2014. She has a very strong prognosis of recovery if all of the cancer cells are removed with the growths and surrounding tissue. I will then take her for follow up appointments.

Aletris has been getting special homemade dog food, herbs, supplements, homeopathy, Massage, Acupressure, and Applied Kinesiology all by me. And Acupuncture, Chiropractic care, and laser therapy from her vet offices. I have exhausted funds as she had just been diagnosed with IMHA(a rare, frustrating and life threatening immune disorder) and recovered miraculously and otherwise is quite healthy. The IMHA cost us $5000+ with all the many expenses from; diagnosis at 2 locations, x-rays, ultrasound, blood transfusion, multiple medications, consistent blood-work, herbs, supplements, special diet, transportation and more. We live 2+ hours away from the nearest city where her vet is. My vehicle broke last month. We have loaned a car. I am on a fixed income. Shortly after rescuing Aletris, I was disabled and unable to work with increasing pain, struggles with health and then finances. Never did a thought of "getting rid of her to make my life easier" exist. It has been carelessly

and ignorantly suggested. She IS my family and far more than an emotional support companion.

Aletris gets regular exercise and play and loves to chase the ball, play tug o war, dance, roll around, eat grass, snuggle kitties and her friends in general. She has cared for 2 separate litters of abandoned kittens that came into our life. She very much loves water and body surfs in the ocean. We look forward to starting and ending each day with rituals of soul gazing, song singing, Raspbellies, and hug 'n kisses. She sleeps a lot while defeating all that ails her and I love to listen to her snore!!

She has brought numerous smiles, laughs, snorts and tears to many. She deserves to continue to do so.

We are continually endeared and grateful for folks like yourself that are able to and care enough to help. We realize that some folks aren't necessarily in the best position themselves. You're ALL angels to us. Paws 4 A Cure- we are especially grateful to you for accepting us into you family of fury friends in need. Thank you all for what you do. I look forward to Aletris and I getting through this and being able to help others in the future, any way we can!!!”