

TRIBUTE

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Jesse James

Jesse James at Wolf Haven,
photographed in 2007. JULIE
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IN MAY WE suffered a loss that will be felt for quite some time; our 15-year old Jesse suffered a stroke. After showing no signs of recovery, we helped her transition to her next journey.

Jesse's story began in California after she escaped her owner and was then confiscated by Animal Control. Jesse was taken to a shelter and spent many months there while her owner tried everything in her power to get

her back. In 2004 the decision was made that she was coming to spend the rest of her life at Wolf Haven.

Jesse's owner had a very deep bond with her and for over 11 years she made the long drive from California to Washington twice a year to visit her. She always brought her a "cake" on her birthday and treats that Jesse loved. The last time she visited, on her 15th birthday, she mentioned that Jesse looked tired and just

days later, Jesse passed away.

This quote by Barbara J King is very fitting to what we are all feeling about the loss of Jesse James.

"What unites human grieving with that of other animals is more powerful than anything setting it apart. Grief can be a terrible weight for any creature to endure, and at the same time, it telegraphs to the world the power of a love once shared."

See you later friend.

