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Mehina

Mehina at Wolf Haven,
photographed in 2006. JULIE
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MEHINA'S PASSING MARKS the end of a huge part of Wolf Haven's history; she was the last of the "Idaho Pack", wolves that were rescued 15 years ago as pups. She lived her whole life in our sanctuary and was healthy until the very end. Mehina had slowed down the past year, which was to be expected at her age, but showed no signs of discomfort until April 14.

She was very stoic, a trait all wolves share and which has to do with instinct. Mehina had some challenges in the beginning; she severed her Achilles tendon when young,

but would not display that weakness to her siblings. In the wild, an animal will rarely show when they are in pain or feel weak... that would be a death sentence. And even though she had never been a wild wolf in this lifetime, she was one in her heart.

Mehina shared an enclosure with her brother Zuni until he passed away; after that she lived with her brother Pahana (we lost both to cancer). One of her sisters, Miwok, used to live in the enclosure next to her and further away was Siri and Kooskie. Out of all the

siblings, we never thought that Mehina would be the last one alive. Each and every one of the pack was a unique being.

A big void will be felt in our sanctuary, but her spirit lives on in those that were blessed to have known her as well as the rest of the Idaho Pack.

*May all beings be peaceful.
May all beings be happy. May
all beings be safe. May all beings
awaken to the light of their true
nature.*

May all beings be free. 🐾