

## Tribute Shali

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**S**HALI RESIDED AT THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA NATURE CENTER BEFORE ARRIVING AT WOLF HAVEN FIVE YEARS AGO. THE NAME SHALIMAR IS OF ARABIC ORIGIN AND MEANS “STRONG AND BEAUTIFUL” AND IT DESCRIBED HER PRESENCE AND NATURE PERFECTLY.

Saying goodbye to Shali was very difficult; she was loved by so many far and near. She had one of the most iconic howls of any of the wolves in the sanctuary and a very bright spirit that will now shine forever in our hearts.

Animal Care took great care of Shali during her fight with cancer over the past year with multiple checks on her during the day. Her suspected stomach cancer meant we had to give her several small meals throughout the day rather than a big meal and it allowed us to really assess her closely. She was also one of our more social wolves, so it was a bit easier to take care of her, which is not always the case with some of our other animals.

Shali was content and still engaging in life with her companion Caedus until December when she began a steep decline. After watching her closely, we all decided it was time to help her before there was any suffering.

Shali passed away in her enclosure on a peaceful day with her mate watching in the distance. I hope we can all remember the joyful moments she had every day; her soulful howls will be greatly missed by us all. 🐾

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