


## Tribute F2188 (Tilly)

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**T**HIS NOVEMBER WE SAID GOODBYE TO F2188 (TILLY), A BEAUTIFUL RED WOLF WITH A STRIKING JAWLINE. SHE RECEIVED HER NAME IN HONOR OF HER FATHER, M1482 (TALA), TO WHOM SHE LOOKED SO MUCH LIKE.

TILLY WAS BORN at Wolf Haven in 2016 to parents Tala and Nash (F1945). She was part of the breeding pair's first litter, which contained five pups. Tilly grew up living with her family, a critical aspect for such a social species.

In 2017 Tala and Nash successfully bred again and had a litter of eight pups. Tensions began to arise among the family as the group grew and pups reached adulthood. As the lowest ranking member, Tilly was the first of the subadults that needed to be separated from the group to alleviate potential conflict. Her sister F2216 (Iris), who was born in 2017, was opportunistically pulled as well to be a companion to Tilly. The sisters occupied the neighboring enclosure to the family group. Both were often seen at the fence line, remaining engaged in the antics of their family from the short distance that separated them.

This fall Tilly had what appeared to be minor wounds on her legs from a squabble with Iris, and when her injuries did not appear to heal in a timely manner, she was caught up for a health assessment. During the physical check, we found several abnormal growths on her skin. At the clinic her prognosis was poor, and it was determined that the best we could do for her was to help her pass. We are honored to have provided Tilly with sanctuary and are so grateful for her contribution to the conservation of the critically endangered red wolf. 

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