

Sent: Monday, June 11, 2012 1:29 AM

Subject: Missing You, Danni!

**If tears could build a stairway,
And memories a lane,
I'd walk right up to Heaven,
And bring you home again.....
-Author Unknown**

Dear Dan the Man,

I can't believe it's 9 years since you left. My little "goofball", known for all the many outfits you wore. Not only did they make you even more handsome than you were, but they kept you from unceasingly licking yourself! You taught me how to truly be non-judgemental with people. Dan, I can't even explain how, except maybe it was your carefree, happy presence. You surely are not the first 4-legged boy to show unconditional love, but yours got through to me in a new way. Whenever my mind strays towards judgment of another, of course I think of Jesus, but I also think of you, and how you would treat them. Seems even hard for me to explain why that is, but I'm so thankful for that gift. No, Mommy's not as perfect as you were, and certainly no where near Jesus, but I do pretty good for a human! You also had the gift of being happy, no matter how sick you were. You weren't born with the healthiest body but your spirit made up for it in so many ways. You were known at the vet's as "The Cookie Monster". You loved food so much that Dr Morin did surgery on that big boo-boo on your head, with only some local and a jar of baby food held about a foot away from your nose! Your focus was totally on the baby food, not even caring about that funny feeling on your head. You were so funny, Danni, that Mommy laughs just remembering you. You almost made it to 16, but that was not meant to be. Remember, Mommy had your birthday party anyway because you would have wanted us to celebrate you, and Mommy couldn't have made it through that date without your friends and mine here with me. You were Pet of the Month at VCA Delaware Valley, and you were Pet of the Week on The Pet Stop. You were one of Mommy's pets of a lifetime!

Danni, I thought of you today but Mommy no longer focuses on that last day we were together. It wasn't too great for either one of us. However, over 15 3/4 yrs. we did have many, many good ones. Those are what I remember today, and forever more. You were so special, and I thank God you were in my life. I love, baby, so much. One day we'll be together again.

xo Mommy

Attached are the memories of you I treasured today.

VCA DELAWARE VALLEY ANIMAL HOSPITAL
PET of the MONTH

"Danni Wesley" Kahora, also known as Mom's little angel or the little monkey or the little stud muffin, always walks through our doors looking for his special welcome. He sits in the waiting room anxiously waiting for #2 exam room door to open. Just look for the best dressed canine flaunting his newest outfit. Perhaps he decided to come dressed casually in his sailor duds or favorite T-shirt or perhaps he is still in his pajamas. If it is Halloween, he could be disguised as anything! One thing is for certain—"Danni" is always cute, handsome and adorable.

When he enters the exam room, I am always inclined to just scoop him up into my arms and give him a great big loving hug. "Danni", however isn't that interested in loving. Although "Danni" is grateful for all of our efforts to keep him healthy, his physical examination or acupuncture treatment or chiropractic adjustment are not "Danni's" priorities for being at the hospital. He fully expects to be fed his favorite foods and treats during his entire visit!

"Danni" just celebrated his 15th birthday on September 16th, 2002. Because "Danni" refuses to act old, grow old, or be old, the past few years have been a bit challenging trying to help him overcome his medical problems. He tends to ignore the fact that he has a serious heart problem and still makes everyone who meets him ask if he is a puppy! He just loves to be alive and to enjoy his mom and dad and all the wonderful gifts associated with living in a loving home. To list the medical and surgical conditions and life threatening emergencies "Danni" has had in the past few years, and survived, would make us all believe that "Danni" perhaps has 9 lives, like our feline patients.

Thank you "Danni" for always managing to bring a smile to your Doctors and all the DVAAH staff. You remind us to appreciate all of life's precious moments and never take health for granted. Your ZEST FOR LIFE attitude is an inspiration. We all love you and thank you for enriching our lives.

Alex Bilello, VMD and Louise I. Morin, VMD

Daniel Wesley Kahora
September 16, 1987 - June 10, 2003 • Almost Sixteen Years of Love
In memory of a precious little boy who gave us the gift of seeing life as enjoyable despite all its pain and suffering . . .

The Many Faces of Danni

COOL DUDE
BEST DRESSED
FISHERMAN
YACHTSMAN
FUN IN THE PARK
HAWAIIAN HOTTY
SLEEPIES
BABY BOY
BEAUTIFUL BABY
MOMMY'S GOOF
SCRUFF PUPPY
LA CHIEN MODEL
JAIL BIRD
BIKER
PARTY ANIMAL