

Sanctuary at Bellbrook
Mission/Sanctuary Story Senior Housing

A LIFE FULFILLED

My life at Bellbrook began in early November of 2014. My living conditions prior to coming here were not the best and my doctor said I had separation anxiety; I am not sure what that means but I was very lonely most of the time.

Life at Bellbrook has been the best. I am never lonely because I have made so many new friends. One group of friends, I call them "The Travelers" because they are always so busy when they are here and then they leave...not sure where they go, but they always come back the next day. The Travelers are younger people and wear the most colorful clothing I have ever seen. They are so helpful to me and my other friends I call the "White Haired" people.

The White Haired people are so nice and I spend a lot of time with them. They share everything with me; their bed, food and especially their friendship. They are always so happy to see me in the morning, it's like they are meeting me for the first time each day and they never seem to become tired of me. These friends are my favorite because we share many of the same interests; eating, exercise and most of all sleep.

Now I don't want you to get the wrong idea and think I just eat and sleep all day, I do have my daily duties. Security Guard, Floor Sweeper, Bed Alarm Tester, Greeter, Entertainer, Assistant to the Director, and my most important job, Angel Lookout. The Angel Lookout position is one that I created and I take most seriously. When my White Haired friends are waiting to go to heaven, I stay with them and keep a lookout for the angels. It makes me sad when they leave, but I know they are safe with the angels.

I love my new home at Bellbrook and never dreamed I would have such a life filled with love, compassion and friendship. My name is Jilly; I am the household dog on Memory Care at Sanctuary at Bellbrook.

JILLY CAME TO US FROM THE PONTIAC ANIMAL RESCUE WHERE THEY WERE RUNNING OUT OF TIME IN FINDING A HOME THAT FIT JILLY'S SPECIAL NEEDS. JILLY HAS FIT RIGHT IN AT BELLBROOK AND HAS MADE A REAL DIFFERENCE IN ENRICHING THE LIVES OF OUR ELDERS AND STAFF. JILLY HAS JUST BEEN SELECTED BY THE MICHIGAN ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE AS THE "CANINE CO-CHAIR" AT THEIR ANNUAL "YAPPY HOUR" FUNDRAISER, WHERE SHE WILL BE HONORED FOR HER SERVICE TO OUR ELDERS.



My favorite couple - he brings me a treat every night



Nothing like a good nights sleep after a day of hard work



Keeping watch over Janet before she left

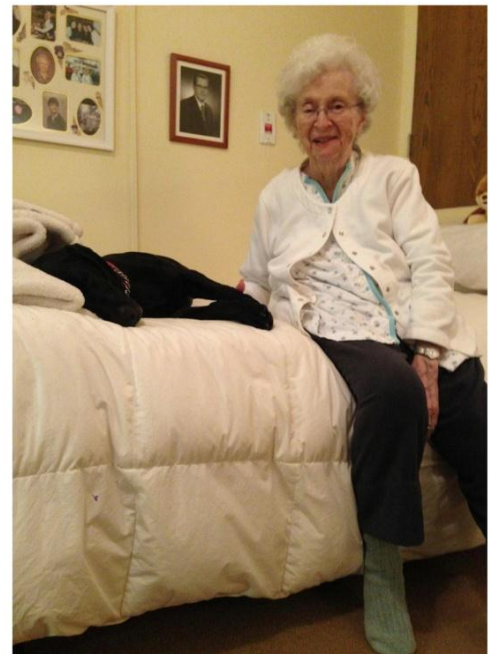
Jilly's Photo Album



Keeping watch over Carl before he left



My official ID photo



Barbara's bed is the best...goose down



Glad Rosemary was up tonight so we could spend some time together



Helping out the Boss