

Tuffy



Tuffy is an 8 year old Rat Terrier who was adopted a year ago by Dana Mueller. Dana found her through the "Rehoming" page on the Ozaukee County Humane Society website. Originally a couch potato, city dog from Racine, Tuffy has turned into a tough, barky dog who likes to run the beach first thing in the morning and then usually enjoys a second walk on the country roads around their home. Tuffy will seek out any patch of sun and sleep in it.

Her motto is "bark first" and when she sees a squirrel outside, she wants to dash out the door barking all the way. So far the squirrels have all escaped because of the bark warning. Whenever she goes outside, she barks. Dana thinks it's her way of announcing herself, and scaring away any deer. Her "bark first" motto applies to any visitors, dog or human, but she gets along easily with non aggressive dogs. Fortunately she's all bark and no bite.

Tuffy enjoys playing with a squeaky ball, going for leash walks, and playing tug-o-war. Her favorite toys are a couple of stuffing-free animal toys that resemble plastic soda bottles, and Nylabones. She loves to have her tummy rubbed, anytime. She can also be left alone and will sleep the day away. When Dana is home, she acts as "Sentry", lying on her bed, watching out the window, ready to bark and alert Dana to any visitors or deliveries.

Tuffy does has one bad habit, her Rat Terrier instinct has caused Dana to have to stop feeding birds around the yard because the feeders attract squirrels, the sight of which drives Tuffy to endless barking. Tuffy loves to eat and her favorite treats are fish skin (which she gets about three times a week) and carrots. The doctors and staff look forward to seeing Tuffy and the rest of her family for years to come.