

Honorable Mention
7 Years



Van Valkenburg Matilda the Hun – Tillie

Sire: Van Valkenburg Vlladmir
Dam: Van Valkenburg Emma

DOB: 02/28/2001
Age at Death: 7.5 Years

Owners: Jenny & Stephen Colditz
Breeders: Scott and Suzie Weaver - Van Valkenburg Kennels

Tillie was the first DDB we purchased. From the moment we saw her we knew she was a feisty little thing. She guarded the food bowl so her siblings could not get to it. We could tell she was definitely going to rule the roost. We got her home and she immediately ran to our two grown great danes with no fear. Tillie was our little Princess Warrior. She guarded our home, protected us and was absolutely fearless, yet loving. She loved to bite on our danes tail as a puppy and give them a run for their money. She also loved to play FLASHLIGHT- chasing the light all around the room. Her favorite game was chasing the sprinkler or taking a mud bath. Tillie was ALWAYS in to something. In our eyes she was a true DDB- our protector. When we brought her grandfather Remus to live with us it was odd- there was an instant connection between them- they snuggled and played together. We have fostered and had other DDB in our home, but none have been the guard dog that Tillie was. Tillie began losing weight and we could not figure out why. Numerous tests were run on her and all came back negative. After months of declining health we had to make the difficult decision to let Tillie go be with her grandfather, Remus. The vet determined through examination that she had cancer. Tillie is the reason we fell in love with the breed and have continued to own and foster Bordeaux. I want to thank Scott and Suzie Weaver for giving us the opportunity to have such a wonderful dog in our family. RIP Sweet Princess Warrior- we love and miss you.