

Joy to the World...

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On an average day, we receive at least 50 e-mails about animals in need of rescue. One e-mail was a plea to save the life of a dog named Queenie. Eight-months old and deaf. Destined for the gas chamber in Pulaski County, Virginia. She was supposed to be a herding dog but without hearing she couldn't follow the commands. To the man that had her, she was disposable. She was useless to him.

What a beauty she is. A red Australian Cattle Dog (ACD) with a mind of her own. Having rescued another ACD a few years ago (who I belong to), gave me an idea of what I was in for. A high energy, dominant dog that couldn't hear me. Not just selective hearing.

Bringing Queenie (now Joy) to the sanctuary has been a learning experience for all of us - Joy included. She has learned some signs and others she ignores - such as "no." With TLC she has learned to trust and knows she is loved. We don't have any animals to herd but that doesn't stop her. She has a great imagination and continues to herd her own visions, barking and ordering them and to follow her directions.

She is a Joy to our world.

Cause for Paws is a NON-PROFIT NO KILL Animal Shelter, if you love Joy, Please take the time and Donate, every little bit helps.