



# IN MEMORIAM – SIDNEY

02/02/12 to 04/10/18

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I was hoping I would never have to write this statement, even though I knew the day would come. I finally had to say goodbye to my best friend; my sidekick; my sweet girl SIDNEY on Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018. After several months of fighting, she finally lost her battle to Lymphoma Cancer.

Many didn't know or could even tell that for the past year SIDNEY was sick, because she never let it hold her back or change her at all. She never lost her smile—which she is famous for, her signature “SIDNEY smile”—or her princess diva personality. Where ever SIDNEY went and whoever she met, she always made a big impression. She and would make you smile no matter how bad your day was; you weren't allowed to be sad or upset around her!

SIDNEY was also a part of the Assistance Dog Breeding Program at paws4people, an organization that I can't even begin to explain what they mean to me. I can't explain how grateful I am for what they did for me and SID SID his past year. They never gave up on us, because SIDNEY never gave up, either. Mama SID as many of you called her had 19 amazing Puppies for paws4people that already are or are going to become a service dog. I had to say goodbye, but because of those 19 Puppies, I get to see her every day in them. Her smile, her spirit, her princess diva personality, and—most importantly—her love lives on in them.

I want to thank all of my paws4people family, my parents, my girlfriend who never got jealous of me and SIDNEY, and Pine Valley Animal Hospital for everything they have done for me and SIDNEY. Again, I just can't explain how much paws4people and everyone in that organization means to me for giving me my best friend.

SIDNEY aka "Mama SID," you may be gone but you will never be forgotten.

I love you, SIDNEY—always and forever!

