



## Happy Gaines

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This is my "Happy". She was born in October 1999 in our kitchen. The last of the 4 (all girls) and the runt of the bunch. She quickly outgrew the rest and even her mom "Rebel", so her registered name is "Rebel's Happy Runt". People asked if I called her "Happy" because of the dog on the show "7th Heaven". I said "No, I call her 'Happy' because that is what she is; always happy and playful."

She is my shadow; every step. She has even run into me when I stopped to quick. She would bark whenever anybody came, but always hid behind me and barked. She was good with the grandchildren and loved to play fetch. She was always healthy until this summer. She still followed me and stayed close even though she was having a lot of trouble and pain walking. I would shut the door so she could not follow me all the time and she just barked until I came back to the den. She was loved and cared for and will be missed by the five of us.

Vicky Gaines

PS One of the cutest things about "Happy" was her one ear that stood up and her cute, floppy ear.

Her name fit her

She was Happy-  
even wagging her tail  
when she was in pain.

I love her.