## Florída Boxer Rescue 2014 Happy Taíls



Date submitted: January 23, 2014 Adopter's name: Jack Maitland Boxer's name: Ellie

Our first boxer adoption, Ellie is wonderful! It didn't take too long for her to fit into our home and is big buddies with our male boxer. If you are thinking of adopting, do it!



Date submitted: March 1, 2014 Adopter's name: Krista Norbeck Boxer's name: Deogee

Deogee will be 10 years old in July. We adopted him from Florida Boxer Rescue when he was a puppy. He is an amazing dog. He has two other dogs to play with at home. He gets the best care being owned by someone who is in the veterinary technician program and has worked in a veterinary hospital the last 4 years. He lives in the sunshine state and loves playing outside!



Date submitted: March 11, 2014 Adopter's name: Mike Smith Boxer's name: Dexter

Dexter is one of the best boxers we've owned! This big crazy guy is just nothing but the most loveable gentle giant. All he needs is love and a few treats!



Date submitted: March 26, 2014 Adopter's name: The Evans Family Boxer's name: Delilah

Here is a picture of FBR Delilah and her new brother, Taz. Delilah is a beautiful, sweet, playful and loving lady, and we are all very grateful to have her!!



Date submitted: March 31, 2014 Adopter's name: Sam Dalessandro Boxer's name: Logan

Logan is a sweet heart. He and his new sister Pinot are inseperable. They have a deal that any food that Pinot doesn't want Logan will eat without any complaints. He went to the vet last week and has gained 10 lbs. His new nickname is No 4. The 4th batter in the lineup is the clean up batter. Logan cleans up any food or treats that are left by sister Pinot. We split our time between Port Charlotte and the Pocono Mountains in Pennsylvania. When we brought Logan to his mountain home the ground was covered with snow. When Logan jumped out of the car, he followed his sister Pinot into the snow thinking it was white sand. When he hit the look on his face was total suprise. "Wow air-conditioned sand!"



Date submitted: May 15, 2014 Adopter's name: Jen Stasio Boxer's name: Kate & Parker

We first adopted Parker first in 2011. He is such a boy! Gigantic and playful. He is a gentle giant. In November 2013 we decided to give Parker a playmate and we adopted sweet little Kate. She is all girl through and through! Everything she does is gentle from the way she walks to the way she eats. She took a little time to adjust but now she is thriving. She loves to be right on top of her family at all times and is extremely loyal. Both dogs have made us so incredibly happy. We love to watch them play with each other and then settle down to a good snuggle. Parker and Kate have definitely made our family complete!



Date submitted: June 16, 2014 Adopter's name: Ashley Allen Boxer's name: Penelope

Penelope is everything we have ever wanted in a puppy! Our days are filled with slobbery kisses, puppy dreams, and an infinite amount of wonderful memories. Penelope is our blessing in disguise and has brought so much joy to our lives. She has made us a family and will forever be our first baby. We are so fortunate for Florida Boxer Rescue and the wonderful volunteers who selflessly volunteer their days to help give dogs like Penelope a happy forever home. We are so in love!



Date submitted: June 26, 2014 Adopter's name: Lisa Grengs Boxer's name: Cash

We fostered Cash right after we lost our 13 year old Boxer. We needed a Boxer in the house quickly and wanted to foster. Well yes, we ended up being FOSTER FLUNKIES! Cash is perfect for our family. He and my son are best friends. Cash is 5 years old and has been the best family dog ever. He has a lot of energy but loves his quiet time too. We truly love FBR for all that you do and hope we keep getting happy endings like Cash's. WE LOVE HIM SO MUCH!!!



Date submitted: July 25, 2014 Adopter's name: Amy Crumley Boxer's name: Cody

Cody has been the most carefree dog I've ever had. We love him to death! We've loved having him over the years! He's grown up with our family and we couldn't imagine life without him. [FBR note: Cody was adopted March 4, 2004. Congratulations on 10 wonderful years!]



Date submitted: August 27, 2014 Adopters' names: Pam & Tim Coomes Boxers' names: Meeka, Chance & Abbott

Our 13th foster Meeka came to us on Wednesday, Feb 8 2011 very, very pregnant. On Saturday about 3 pm the babies started arriving. 6 beautiful boxer babies, 5 boys and 1 girl. It was tough. I did not want another dog for the rest of its life. Our last boxer boy was 13.5 years old and I could see a time in my life that I would be almost pet free. No more vet bills, no more visits to the pet store. Yes I had that vision. Well, and you know there is a well, to this story – the 4th baby born was not breathing so I cupped him in my hands and rubbed him while holding him upside down until he took his first breath. His nose, toes an belly turned all pink and I knew he was fine, but I was a goner. His name is Chance. Obviously, he couldn't grow up alone, so we adopted puppy #1 Abbott, and that was all she wrote. A few weeks later at a meet and greet, it was suggested that Meeka (the mom) be moved to a different foster home as she was way too attached to me. I adopted her immediately. She is almost 10 now and is my baby. We now have 4 boxers and 8 cats. Meeka is so special. She loves us and all of her fur kids. She's not fond of other people,

especially when they try to come in her kitchen. She is so funny, she moos when anybody skin or furred comes in her kitchen. She smiles all of the time. I am so grateful to have fostered 22 boxer in the last 7 years and even more grateful to have adopted 6 over the last 10 years.



Date submitted: August 30, 2014 Adopter's name: Julie Shelton Boxer's name: Gemma

Gemma (7 yrs old) entered our lives September 10, 2013 as a foster, scared, traumatized and underweight. This little girl was terrified of our other two boxers, she didn't even know how to play with toys and reaching out to pet her severely panicked her. Over the months, she's learned that her boxer brothers would protect her and help her learn to run and play and that her family, well they adored her too, and weren't going to hurt her and there was no chance of us giving her up. Our Gemma is the most beautiful sweet souled girl you'll ever meet. She now comes to us and wants us to pet her. She loves her fur and human family and though she still doesn't play with toys, she wiggles, kidney beans and is running around the yard. Gemma is fiercely loyal and now "protects" her family. She runs behind her brothers barking at birds, golf carts or whatever they bark at. Our sweet Gemma does her happy dance every time we come home, which consists of wiggles and front paw stomping it's the cutest ever!! She hangs out with us whereever we're at until bedtime when she snuggles in her bed next to mom. This little senior boxer wiggled her way right into our hearts! Definitely look at the senior boxers! Lots of love to give and hearts of gold! I couldn't ask for a better girl.



Date submitted: September 3, 2014 Adopter's name: Danielle Voegtlin Boxers' names: Dexter & Stella

We usually have heartbreak in our foster home, so today I want to share a happy tail! We are on our third "official" foster failure, though many dogs throughout the years have stayed with us until their time had come. Last fall we adopted an old man named Dexter. He came to us at the perfect time and fit right in our family! I tried so hard not to fail with him, but it was inevitable. He stole my heart right away! He has now shown that he loves only my husband, as he hides in the bedroom while he goes to work . . . but I still hug him and love on him all the time, even though I can feel his eyes rolling when I do!! We have had him almost a year now and at 11 years he still keeps up with our 3 year old.

Stella we adopted almost 2 months ago, and she couldn't have come into our lives at a more perfect time. She was returned and I assisted with her pick up that day, and though I tried to fight it, I always knew she was mine. I always said "no more puppies", but I now know she was meant to come into our lives at that moment, as we just said goodbye to 2 foster dogs in a week. She now makes us laugh every day as she has become the queen of our house! She tells all the other dogs what to do and where to be, and my two Dexters absolutely adore her. Thanks FBR!!



Date Submitted: September 7, 2014 Adopter's Name: John McDermott Boxer's Name: Bailey – Bailey's Irish Crème

In 2009, our family adopted Bailey when she was 2 years old and we lived in Orlando. She

quickly adapted to her new home and 2 young "brothers" Rich and Ben who care for her, play, and walk her. We have since moved north to the Quad Cities, Iowa area on the Mississippi. Bailey has adjusted to the cooler northern climate, enjoys running in the snow, but isn't thrilled with the harsh cold of Iowa winters. She's a momma's dog who thinks she's a lap dog.



Date submitted: October 8, 2014 Adopter's name: Susanne Gill Boxers' names: Zack & Xenia

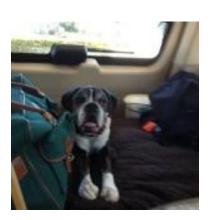
Our family adopted brother and sister Zack and Xenia. They are absolutely amazing! We lost our boxer Mandrin of 13 years in November of 2013. We never thought our hearts could be full again until these two. They came from a bad past and it has taken time and understanding but it has been well worth it. Xenia is our monkey faced lizard hunter whose tongue never quits! Zack is our serious faced snuggle boy. They love to wrestle each other and us. We can't imagine our lives without them now and can't thank Florida Boxer Rescue enough for the beautiful gifts. Please. Open up your heart to a boxer, maybe two. You will never regret it!



Date submitted: October 12, 2014 Adopters' name: Arlene & Richard Ippoliti Boxer's name: Cosmo II This is Cosmo II who came to us on August 31, 2014. We were thinking about fostering him but it didn't take long to decide to adopt him. He is the sweetest guy. He was legally adopted on September 27, 2014 One of my better choices in life.

Cosmo is ready, willing and able to please. He is a very happy and comical guy. He loves his squeaky toys and balls. He behaves when left alone in the house. We don't own a crate and we have come to the conclusion that we don't need one.

Cosmo loves kids, although we have to keep our eye on him at times he still gets a little excited but is learning to be calm cool and collected when they are around. We still don't know how he feels about cats yet but his mom is hoping he won't be a meany.



Date submitted: October 21, 2014 Adopter's Name: Gwendolyn Glaser Boxer's Name: Maximillion

I picked up Max from a woman in Titusville who found him and had him scanned. The microchip came back to FBR as unregistered but implanted in 2004. It was apparent Max was an older gentleman. I brought him home while I tried to locate his owner. When I did they didn't really want him back, and since I was willing to keep him, that was that. Coincidentally, his name really was Max, but he can't really hear.

His ear infections were treated and he was on a good diet with a wonderful joint supplement. He seemed to get younger and younger every day as he assimilated into our home with our other two four year-olds. Suddenly he began to throw up and stopped eating. He was treated for pancreatitis and when I figured out what was helping, I eliminated what was not. He got better. He now gobbles his meals down. He is so happy to see us when we return home. He loves to play with the other two but they tend to knock him down. He gets right back up and goes after them. He has such a calm, collected, demeanor and is a really neat guy.

When Curry and I were discussing if we should keep him or move him to another foster home, it's as if he heard us. He sucked up to Curry until he completely won him over. We just decided it wasn't fair to Max to move him as he seems very happy in our home, with all of us.

He's 12 years old. He probably won't be around very long. However, he has made a huge impact on our lives. I can't imagine not having him. He's a bit messy when he eats, he drools pretty much everywhere – we call them Maxicles hanging from the furniture and whatnot. He doesn't go very far on his walks. He throws up now and again. But best of all he is a happy, happy guy and you can see it in his eyes. That's all that matters.

Adopting an older dog is not what we set out to do. We didn't even want three dogs. Max found us and has decided he is staying with us. No matter if there are two weeks, two months or two years left, I wouldn't change a thing. Maximillion really is one in a million!



Date Submitted: October 30, 2014 Adopter's Name: Teresa Reed Boxer's Name: Daisy Mae

Daisy Mae has been with us for almost two months and she has become a wonderful part of our family! She enjoys her new fur brother and loves to run so much she's made a track in our back yard! She can be stubborn at times but one look into that cute face and she usually gets what she wants!!! Usually it's your spot in bed! We are thankful for her and appreciate everything Florida Boxer Rescue has done for all these wonderful dogs!!



Date submitted: November 17, 2014 Adopter's Name: Lindsey Schlarf Boxer's Name: Beau

Feb 12th 2011 my boy Beau was born.. We were so excited to get a new puppy. Beau has had a tough road to being fully healthy but finally after 3 years he is doing amazing. I couldn't imagine Beau with any other family. He has brought so much joy and happiness to my husband and I as well as our boxer girl Bella. THANK YOU FBR for allowing us to adopt a one of a kind boxer boy. We are so grateful.



Date submitted: November 22, 2014 Adopter's Name: Zach Nelson Boxer's Names: Faith & Braxton (Boozer)

After losing Rosco (my legacy boxer) in August 2014 to cancer and giving him the respect he deserved by being there for him when he passed on to a better place, I never thought I would be able to bear that kind of pain again.

After two months of watching Faith (whom we got through FBR in 2009) wander around wondering where her big brother Rosco went, we began to realize that this amazing breed does better when they are coupled with a companion. My family then began to entertain the thought of bringing another member into the family, realizing the joy a Boxer brings throughout the years, far outweighs the pain of losing them when they depart to Boxer Heaven. We began to look at FBR's website once again and came across Boozer. We immediately knew that he was for us.

We were initially told that he would not do well with a housemate, but I refused to give up. Battling through weeks of rain and my children's sports obligations I would come and visit Boozer any moment I could, slowly peeling off the layers of what was a misunderstood ball of joy and goofiness, since he was labeled animal aggressive and rightfully so. Coming from a house where he had to battle for food and for his life, it was easy to see why Boozer would be aggressive towards other dogs. Slowly but surely I began to visit him, later bringing my wife and then kids into the picture during our afternoon walks. Once we knew that was going well, we then brought Faith (our other FBR Boxer) for our afternoon walks near the Lee Vista shelter, initially starting them both on opposite sides of the road and then slowly moving closer together.

We then planned for Boozer's (who we renamed Braxton) arrival at our house. I went and picked him up and this goofball thought he was a lap dog, attempting to ride in my lap on the way home. After Lindsey and Brian met us at the house and were extremely helpful in educating us and being cautiously patient, we were able to integrate Braxton into the house. Initially Faith and Braxton were curious of each other, but we cautiously kept them on a leash throughout the next couple of days, until I decided enough was enough. Braxton was growing on me and was with me at all times, I could not stand the heartbreak if he was not going to get along with Faith. It was time!!

I let them both off leash in the back yard and Faith played with him as she was taught by legacy Rosco throughout the years, wearing Braxton down, till he had no choice but to submit to the fact that Faith now ruled the roost. Faith and Braxton have been inseparable ever since and he is sure to perk up and protect Faith should other dogs come near during our walks.

Braxton has brought a joy that could only be explained by experiencing the love, joy, and loyalty that a Boxer can bring. There is no other breed like a Boxer and Braxton is no exception, as he has been a wonderful addition to our family. While Braxton cannot fill the paws of Rosco and he has puppy tendencies that get him in trouble sometime, he definitely has his own personality, one that my family will love and cherish forever.

Thanks FBR, Lee Vista Animal Hospital, but especially both Lindsey and Brian!!! This could not have been possible had you not been patient with both us and Braxton!! We are eternally grateful!!!



Date submitted: December 16, 2014 Adopter's Name: Kitty Bryce Boxer's Name: Alice "Coop" Cooper (Big Mack)

"Coop" (renamed for his Alice Cooper-like eyes) is a well-dressed man-about-town, and the love of our lives. He is extremely easy-going and pretty chilled out for a Boxer, but when he's ready to play, he does the familiar play-bow, huff, and dance. He does NOT like being separated from his family, even for a short time. When one of us leaves, he steals our shoes. (He doesn't chew them, just carries them around.) He enjoys walking to the mailbox every day for the mail, and goes crazy for rides in the car and visits with friends, especially his Boxer friends from FBR. He loves "working" FBR events when he gets to dress up in one of his many bow ties to impress the ladies. (He fights being "undressed" at the end of the day.)

Coop has his own facebook page where he keeps his fans informed of his antics and his fabulous sense of style.



Date submitted: December 26, 2014 Adopter's Name: Penny Stevens Boxer's Name: Miss Kelly

We adopted the former Miss Kelly, now known as Miss Harley 5 days ago. She's a 3 1/2 year old Bulloxer. She has fit in like she's always been with us. Already can't picture our home without. She's a lover and has assumed her role as entertainer for us and all who have visited for the holiday.

Thank you so much FLBR for all that you do in your rescue work.