

Macie & Roxie's Story

After searching for months for just the right Golden to adopt, one Sunday morning I received an e-mail from Betty from GRRROM stating that she had a young female Golden available for adoption that she thought would be a good fit for our family. The Golden's name was Maizey and she was approximately a year old. I was skeptical about her age as I thought having an older Golden would be better for our 14 year old Golden. However, a few months prior, after having no luck with a dog that would be a good match for our family, I told my husband that this may sound silly, but if it is meant to be for us to have another dog, she will come into our lives and her name will be Macie. When I read her name in the e-mail from Betty, I thought, she has to be the one for us as the name doesn't get much closer than that. If it wasn't for her name, I would not have even given her another glance due to her young age. So I hesitantly e-mailed Betty back in order to get more information and for us to meet her.

After being found tied to a tree with her brother (Blue), Maizey was brought to Michigan. She was very skiddish around people and fearful of a lot of things. GRRROM thought it best that she and her brother be separated so Maizey could find her own voice (she literally did not bark and was very submissive). Maizey was with her foster family (Kathy and Rick) for two months before we adopted her and during that time she made huge strides coming into her own. They spent a lot of time working with her in order for her to overcome some of her fears as she had many. She went from not being brave enough to leave their front porch, to being able to walk through their neighborhood and play like a puppy. After coming into our home we did change her name to Macie. She continues to make strides all the time and has definitely found her voice. We have had her since November, 2019 and she has been such a Godsend. She is very smart, well mannered, playful, sweet and lovable.

Macie has a little sister – a mini-pig named Roxie. Currently, even though they are both the same age, almost 1 ½ years old, Macie is much bigger than Roxie. Once Roxie is full grown (in a couple more years) she will weigh approximately 50 pounds, much closer to Macie's weight. Macie loves her little pig sister and tries to play with her as if she was a dog. But pigs don't play in the same way dogs do. They do spend a lot of time with each other and hang out together. When Roxie gets rambunctious and starts running through the house, Macie loves to chase her. They both run together to get ice cubes in the kitchen. They love to share bananas and other treats. Roxie, being a pig, loves to root and has a special root rug with treats that we sprinkle in it. Macie loves to lay next to her and chew her bone while Roxie is rooting. They have a special bond and truly are great companions and they have made our family complete.

I would really like to thank Betty for matching us up and I would like to thank Kathy and Rick for all the hard work and love they gave to Macie for those two months. Without all of you, we wouldn't have our precious girl.

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