

## Lessons

What amazing faces we just saw. As we reflect back on how these great souls lived it is important to remember the life lessons that they bestowed to us. We honor them and their memories by living by those lessons. You can probably think of several that your pet taught you, perhaps some of these will resonate with you as well:

It is okay to sometimes just eat and sleep

Be brave – no matter your size

Unleash your talents and learn new tricks – no matter your age

Make sure you always have a curious spirit

Maintain a well-groomed appearance

The bigger bone is sometimes worth the fight

If your hackles go up– trust your instincts

The joy of rolling in something stinky is worth the bath afterward

Make biscuits on those you love

Nap in the sunny spots when you find them

Run to greet your loved ones when they come home

When you are happy, dance and wag your entire body

Stretch before rising

After a bath, find the biggest mud puddle and make it count

Sing the song of your people loudly for all to hear

Run, romp, play daily

The best perspective is obtained by rolling on your back in the grass

Be loyal

If what you want lies buried, dig and dig until you find it  
Just shake it off  
Wag your tail like no one is watching  
Howl like no one is listening  
Jump up and down when you are happy  
Know that sometimes the rules just don't apply to you  
Get excited over the little things  
Eat with gusto  
Love without boundaries  
Enjoy every moment of everyday  
Never bite when a growl will do  
Delight in the simple joy of a long walk  
Protect what is precious  
Grudges simply don't exist  
Drink lots of water  
Never pass up the opportunity for a joy ride  
Bond with your pack  
When you are away from home, make it an adventure  
When you are excited, speak up  
If you stare at someone long enough, you will eventually get what you want  
Always give people a friendly greeting  
Be quick to forgive  
Follow your instincts  
Sometimes it is best to sit close and listen

Accept all of life's treats with gratitude

Be generous with tail wags

Forgive and forget daily

You are never too old to play

It does not matter where you are, it matters who you are with

And finally, Every day is a brand new day to just be happy