

CASEY'S CAUSE



It's not very often that someone can attest to seeing small miracles happen – but I certainly lived that for 2½ years, thanks to Casey, a rescued yellow lab who came into our lives quite suddenly.

Casey and I became a certified dog therapy team with ***Therapeutic Paws of Canada*** (www.tpoc.ca) when he was just 1 year old (which is young; but he seemed determined to pay me back with this cause that I believed in). My determination to give back to our War Veterans has been a lifetime goal of mine; with Casey by my side we could fulfill my dream at the ***Veterans' Hospital*** in Ste Anne de Bellevue, QC.

It took only a few moments inside the residence of our Canadian Veterans to see the 'magic' that he created and to witness the scenes that unfolded during our 45 minute visits in their Bingo hour. Men and women, with memories locked away, deep inside them, would open up and start talking to Casey. Their families were always taken aback by their moms' and dads' responses to our being there....stories would be told that had not been heard before; recollections of loved ones and events from their past flowed as each and everyone would hug, pat and gaze into the warm, brown eyes of my beloved Casey.

I strongly believe that we are all here to help one another...won't you join us and become part of this miracle that presents itself whenever a 'team' is able to make someone's day a little brighter?



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