

Michelle Walker-Thomas is not only a great breeder of dogs, but has an enormous well-spring of human compassion, too.

Attracted by Michelle's extraordinary web site, we first went to see one of Michelle's guardian family dogs in our neighborhood, and he was just precious. We came to see her and meet her dogs back in October, before our litter was even born. We fell in love with Michelle's Girls.

We followed all the photos and excitement about the newborn puppies all the way up to Christmas time, when on December 17, my husband had a stroke. Luckily we expect a full recovery but it has been debilitating, both physically and emotionally. Michelle kept our little wonder, who we were to pick up on December 23rd, until January 14th. While she had him, she did marvelous training of him for us.

We picked him up and took him home. He was at first frightened by my older dog, then took over! He is the smartest dog I have ever seen, and just a dear sweet puppy. Every morning, I would sit in the kitchen with him at 7:00 am (not my best time) and he would cuddle for a few minutes while he woke up, then start playing catch, or sitting in his toy box, or nibbling on my feet (with slippers on, of course!). He is the only dog I have ever seen who took toys out to play with, and then put them back in his toy box!

Unfortunately, another health issue struck us and I have been diagnosed with a neurological disorder. Michelle was so kind and took Seamus immediately and re-homed him with a wonderful new family with 3 young boys to play with him and keep him busy. He will be such a great dog for this new family who has the youth and vigor for such a lovely smart puppy.

We will miss him, but we got to keep him for about 5 weeks and loved every minute of it.

I write this note just to add my praise to Michelle Walker-Thomas for being not only a great breeder of fine Australian labradoodles, but also an incredibly understanding human being! She never made us feel bad once, and in fact was compassionate about our having to give up Seamus, who in a very short time had become a beloved member of our family. While it broke our hearts to have to give him up, we knew it was the right thing to do. His high energy and puppyish enthusiasm will be so well suited to his new family. All the best Seamus, as you start your new life as Brinkley!

Thank you, Michelle.

Sincerely, The Murphys