

30+ Comforting Quotes About Losing a Pet

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There are few things in this life that compare to the pain and sorrow of losing a pet. We welcome these fur-friends into our homes, and they soon become an important member of the family. Pets lift our heads and fill our hearts with the kind of love that few others can. They offer unconditional love and are always greeting us with a warm welcome when we come through the front door after a long day. Whether our cats and dogs are comforting us when we cry or giving us a good laugh, the memories we create with them are priceless and will never be forgotten.

Let these pet loss quotes encourage you during the difficult time of losing a friend who was your constant companion. If you're searching for loss of dog quotes or loss of cat quotes, we have you covered. They're also great words to include in a sympathy card for friends or family who may be experiencing the loss of a pet and also can serve as a meaningful caption for a social media tribute to your beloved pet. Read through these uplifting words and reflect on all the beloved times you shared with your best pal.

"If there are no dogs in Heaven, then when I die, I want to go where they went." - Will Rogers

"How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard." - Winnie The Pooh

"Grief is like the ocean; it comes on waves ebbing and flowing. Sometimes the water is calm, and sometimes it is overwhelming. All we can do is learn to swim." - Vicki Harrison

"Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened." - Ted Geisel (Dr. Seuss)

"Dogs have a way of finding the people who need them and filling an emptiness we didn't ever know we had." - Thom Jones

"Dogs are not our whole life, but they make our lives whole." - Roger Caras

"Time spent with a cat is never wasted." - Sigmund Freud

"Sorrow is how we learn to love. Your heart isn't breaking. It hurts because it's getting larger. The larger it gets, the more love it holds." - Rita Mae Brown

"Like a bird singing in the rain, let grateful memories survive in time of sorrow." - Robert Louis Stevenson

"The dog is the most faithful of animals and would be much esteemed were it not so common. Our Lord God has made his greatest gift the commonest." - Martin Luther

"If there is a heaven, it's certain our animals are to be there. Their lives become so interwoven with our own, it would take more than an archangel to detangle them." - Pam Brown

"Heaven goes by favor. If it went by merit, you would stay out and your dog would go in." - Mark Twain

"The dog is a gentleman; I hope to go to his heaven, not man's." Mark Twain

"A pet is never truly forgotten until it is no longer remembered." - Lacie Petitto

"A home without a cat — and a well fed, well petted and properly revered cat — may be a home, perhaps, but how can it prove title?" - Mark Twain

"The bond with a dog is as lasting as the ties of this earth can ever be." - Konrad Lorenz

"No amount of time can erase the memory of a good cat, and no amount of masking tape can ever totally remove his fur from your couch." - Leo Dworken

"It is amazing how much love and laughter they bring into our lives and even how much closer we become with each other because of them." - John Grogan

"If I have any beliefs about immortality it is that certain dogs I know will go to heaven, and very very few people." - James Thurber

"Death ends a life, not a relationship." - Jack Lemmon

"If having a soul means being able to feel love and loyalty and gratitude, then animals are better off than a lot of humans." - James Herriot

"The risk of love is loss, and the price of loss is grief. But the pain of grief is only a shadow when compared with the pain of never risking love." - Hilary Stanton Zunin

"Dogs...do not ruin their sleep worrying about how to keep the objects they have, and to obtain the objects they have not. There is nothing of value they have to bequeath except their love and their faith." - Eugene O'Neill

"Nobody can fully understand the meaning of love unless he's owned a dog. A dog can show you more honest affection with a flick of his tail than a man can gather through a lifetime of handshakes." - Gene Hill

"His ears were often the first thing to catch my tears." - Elizabeth Barrett Browning

"You gain strength, courage, and confidence by every experience in which you really stop to look fear in the face. You must do the thing which you think you cannot do." - Eleanor Roosevelt

"Until one has loved an animal, a part of one's soul remains unawakened." - Anatole France

"It's funny how...cats know the inside of folks better than other folks do, isn't it?" - Eleanor H. Porter

"Sometimes losing a pet is more painful than losing a human because in the case of the pet, you were not pretending to love it." - Amy Sedaris

"What greater gift than the love of a cat." - Charles Dickens

"There are two means of refuge from the miseries of life: music and cats." -
Albert Schweitzer