## **Rosie Silverstein**

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Rosie Silverstein may look like an ordinary poodle, but we all know looks can be deceiving. Rosie is actually a Shepadoodle, a unique cross between a German Shepard and a Poodle. The Shepard in her makes her extremely loyal and obedient and her Poodle origins accounts for her intelligence and alertness.

Rosie was born on New Year's Eve 2014 in Northern California. When she was only 8 weeks old, she flew cross-country to Massachusetts from the hot west coast. The transition for this Cali girl from 8 weeks of beautiful weather in California to the frigid blizzard conditions of Massachusetts was difficult. However, since then Rosie has adapted to the New England weather and has learned to love the snow. She had no choice but to love the snow because of her family's frequent trips to Vermont in the winter. In Vermont, Rosie spends time both prancing around outside as well as curling up by the warm fire inside.

One of Rosie's most profound talents is her Olympic-level high-jumping skills. From any position, she can jump almost 5 feet straight in the air, almost as if she has springs in her paws. No wonder she also enjoys going on the family's trampoline. Rosie also loves long car rides, such as the one's to Vermont, where she either sits down by your feet or up on the seat in the position of a human.

Starting everyday, bright and early, Rosie ventures to her dad's multiple construction job sites where she roams the property as if she is protecting it from trespassers. She is never but a call away and comes the instant she hears her name. When they get home, Rosie plays with her beloved squeaky football until dinner is served. After dinner she goes on her favorite walking route where she often gets to see some of her best friends; Indy, Winston, and Whaler. At night, the German Shepherd side comes out and Rosie goes into protection mode sleeping with one eye open. She moves from room to room throughout the night checking up on each member of the family. Rosie's loyalty and love for her family may come off as overprotective, but she is truly a friendly, loving, and sweet dog. Hopefully you get a chance to meet her while she is on one of her daily walks soon.