



Thank you for checking in on me! I am doing very good and loving my family.

I have become extremely protective of my mom, dad and two sisters. I do my best to scare off all the shady-looking rabbits that near our house. And, any Fed-Ex or UPS men that are brave enough to deliver packages to our house sure are sorry that they entered my territory once they experience my bark! I've even seen a couple of them jump at the door and scoot off to their trucks pretty quickly. I find it quite funny. The biggest threats that I have been able to ward off are the walkers and joggers that have come within 3 blocks of our house! Boy, did they learn their lesson when I told them what for!!

I still have my qworky ways as I continue to do my business pushed up against the fence of my dog run (but dad appreciates how easy it is to clean up!). I also never mess anywhere in the house, except mom and dad's shower (though I will say that I've been a good boy for a long time now). I run and hide at the sound of a walmart bag, or the sight of a fly swatter. But, mom and I have a deal now... she leaves the fly swatter on top of the refrigerator, and I hunt and eat the flies. It works for all!

The thing that my family loves best about me is that I sing!! Whenever it is birthday time, I sing my best along with the whole family. They think it is hysterical and love to break into song at different parts of the day just to hear me! I will also sing along to the sound of the phone ringing and my older sister playing the piano. I'm proud of my talent. :)

I am still a big cuddler, and love to shake. My favorite toy is the big fat rope with tennis balls on it (especially when dad plays with me). Once mom and dad fall asleep at night, I always sneak out of my bed and into the living room, and curl up on the couch on their big throw blanket. I know they don't have any idea, cause I'm that good. Mom and dad have spoiled me with being an inside dog, so anytime the weather is too hot, or too cold, or windy or rainy, I howl till they bring me inside (which is never too long..especially because it gets all the neighborhood dogs howling too...hee,hee!). I curl up in my bed and think how I'm the king! I have started digging a big hole in my dog run (mom and dad call it my "escape from alcatraz"). I can actually fit my whole body into it now, so that when I climb out of it, I am covered from head to toe in dirt.

I asked mom to please attach this picture that I took with Samantha (2nd grade) and Abby (kindergarten) on their first day of school this year. It was an exciting day for the whole family!

I'm not sure if we will be able to enter into the calendar contest this year, but we definitely wanted to check in with you. Mom and dad talk very highly of you and everyone at Mutt Matchers! They have told me that they are hoping to get me a companion in the next year or so, and when they do, they will be going to see you all first!

Thank you all for being so wonderful and loving! I do miss you and look forward to another visit one day.

Love,  
Charlie