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An Interview with Linda A. Mohr, Author of
Tatianna — Tales and Teachings of My Feline Friend

Q: Why did you write *Tatianna — Tales and Teachings of My Feline Friend*?

A: I wrote *Tatianna* in response to a higher force compelling me to do so. Tatianna passed away on the day before Easter. On Easter afternoon, I sat in my favorite rocking chair in front of the living-room picture window and simply began writing. This was a spot where Tatianna and I had spent many hours. I just let the pen fly across the page, not really knowing why. It was only after I had finished the entire manuscript that I realized the importance of bringing her message to the world.

Q: What do you hope to communicate with the world through your book?

A: Animals are a sacred gift and they deserve love and respect. A kind word, a caress, a scrumptious meal, and proper medical care are just as needed and appreciated by animals as they are by humans. The bonds between owner and pet can be deepened during periods of extended or terminal illnesses. If kidney failure—one of the leading causes of death in cats—strikes, it is possible to provide an environment for your pet to live her or his last months or years in a high-quality way.

Q: What is the most important lesson Tatianna taught you?

A: Miracles can be accomplished simply by love and an enduring belief in God.

Q: How can we know when it is time to let go after trying to sustain an animal's life through traditional and/or alternative medicine?

A: I think it is important to communicate with your pet and ask him or her to give you a sign when it is time for him or her to go. It is also our responsibility to watch for that sign and accept it when it happens. I have found that you just intuitively know when the time comes.

Q: What advice do you have for people who are attempting to deal emotionally with the imminent passing of a beloved pet?

A: Appreciate and celebrate each moment, live in the present, and avoid fast-forwarding your thoughts to the pain that is coming. There will be plenty of time for that later. Make sure to tell your pets how much you love them and what they have meant to you. Assure them you will be okay. Allow yourself to feel the range of emotions that will overtake you.

Q: Are there still times when you sense Tatianna around you?

A: Tatianna travels with me in spirit on all my plane and long car journeys. Many times I have asked her to keep me safe. I have sensed her on my bed and walking on my creaky hardwood floors in the middle of the night. Her spirit spurred me on to finish the myriad of details in publishing our book.

Q: How do you imagine the animal afterlife to be?

A: It is filled with love and warmth. Animals are never hungry, cold, or abused.

Q: What is the first thing you will say to Tatianna when you are reunited with her?

A: I love you Tatianna, always and forever. I promised I'd see you on Rainbow Bridge for a glorious reunion, and this moment has surpassed my wildest imagination.