

Old Friends Old age has become a reason to discard and de-value a person or a pet. This trend is disturbing on many levels, and is cruel beyond words. Older pets are often abandoned when they develop health issues. People who abandon their older pets are among the most heartless creatures roaming the earth. With your help and support, we have been able to provide many senior pets with a loving place to spend their final days. A recent example of this is a cat named Alden, who was seen starving and wasting away by a nice woman who tried to help him. She couldn't afford much in the way of medical care but did what she could. She spent one month calling various places for help. Either she was ignored, or told to euthanize the cat, or to just put it back outside where "Nature would take its course."

The vet estimated Alden (which means "Old Friend" in Scottish) at 15 years. His teeth were rotted, his mouth infected and unimaginably painful, his emaciated body (he weighed only 5 lbs.!) was crawling with fleas, he dripped diarrhea, and was clearly dying slowly and in misery. He was diagnosed with end stage kidney failure. Needless to say, we are devastated that he was not helped in time to prevent a lot of this deterioration. If helped sooner, he could have lived several more years.

We know that we cannot undo what happened to him, but we can provide him with a safe and loving home for as long as he has. He is no longer in pain and is putting on some weight. He loves being held and is the gentlest and most loving soul. He is fascinated watching the other cats and seems so pleased to be loved and cared for in his final days.



Alden when rescued

Alden
now

