



Happy 10th Birthday, Banner!

Shadrack's Star-Spangled at Nitewater

born June 22, 2013

She arrived as the baby dumpling, with a bold and curious mind and a lion in her heart. Wherever you are, she wants to be right there beside you. After all, you may need some help or supervision. And if you aren't doing it right, she won't hesitate to let you know. You didn't really mean to close that door, did you? No problem. I just need to keep an eye on you.

Most of our Newfs have been quiet. But Banner, like Parker, has her own array of adjectives, adverbs and syllables. She uses words and tones, however, that were not part of his vocabulary. She likes to be clear about what's on her mind. We don't have much trouble communicating, in any case. She listens and is in-tune, and I listen to her. We can ordinarily figure things out, sometimes after a line of questioning. Banner is engaged with all creatures, and they tune in to her. She loves the social aspects of taking walks and she enjoys the adventure of travel. She has been a joy to share time with. She has had some rough bumps along her path, and her show career was cut short early. But her attitude has always been stellar. She has a "golden chariot", a live-in chef and personal groomer (me) and a host of admirers. Her theme song is "Happy" [Pharrell Williams].

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