Rescuing Sprite: A Dog Lovers Story of Joy and Anguish by Mark R. Levin

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A STUNNINGLY INTIMATE LOOK AT THE LOVE BETWEEN A FAMILY AND A DOG WHICH MOVINGLY SHOWS THAT IN THE END, WE HUMANS ARE THE LUCKY ONES. Although Mark Levin is known as a constitutional lawyer and a nationally syndicated broadcaster, he is, first and foremost, a dog lover. In 1998, he and his family welcomed a half-Border Collie/half-Cocker Spaniel they named Pepsi into their lives. Six years later, his wife and son persuaded him to adopt a dog from the local shelter, a Spaniel mix. It turned out he was older than originally thought, and he was the most beautiful dog they’d ever seen. They named him Sprite. Their lives would never be the same. During the next two years, Sprite and Pepsi were inseparable. And Sprite’s bond with the Levin family deepened. Friends, neighbors, and even Mark’s radio audience came to know and love Sprite. But Sprite’s health deteriorated -- even as his spirits remained high and his beauty and grace continued to inspire. Between Thanksgiving and Christmas 2006, the Levin family said their emotional final good-bye. Crushed and consumed with grief, Mark turned to family, friends, and fans for help. But new hope came when the Levins least expected it.

My Personal Review:
This book brought back memories of every dog and cat I had lost before. The bond between animal and owner is there and as I read this book, I cried along with the author. Such humanity is seldom written down. Thank you Mark for your understanding of the bond between owner/pet. I relive every dog/cat I have lost. Very cathartic.

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