



has been a godsend as I trust her as the General Manager to take care of the day to day operations at Rob Cary Pet Resort. This has allowed me time for the Poms. Two of my groomers, Chris and Mie Mie help me keep the Poms in shape with regular baths and nail trims and Mie Mie helps me show groom the Poms.

Todd also designed our beautiful new home on a hill north of San Antonio in Bulverde, Texas. He even made the beautiful mesquite wood stairs and mantel for the house.

My husband Todd and I will celebrate our twentieth anniversary in October. Between us we have 2 sons, one daughter and 6 grandkids ranging from our newest grandson, Nolan, 6 months old to our 19 year old grandson Ian. Ian has lived with us for several years and has just completed his freshman year of college at the University of Texas at Dallas. His ambition is to be a computer animator. Todd and Ian both love the Poms even if they do not always understand my desire to raise and show them.

The house is designed to accommodate us into our old age with wide doorways, ramps, accessible shower, and other great features. We have a rainwater collection system to supply naturally soft water for the house.

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A Kennel Visit with:

RobCary Pomeranians

By Caryl Scrimsher

Todd is an architect by profession. He designed the expansion for my business, Rob Cary Pet Resort in 1997 and 2002. I had opened Rob Cary Kennels and Training School as a very small, modest business in December 1976. It had grown through the years and needed a serious update. Rob Cary Pet Resort is now a 40,000 square foot modern boarding facility offering beautiful accommodations for dogs, cats and birds. It also has two large indoor training rooms for Kindergarten Puppy Training, Obedience and Ring Manners Classes. For over 30 years, I taught a variety of classes including Kindergarten, Basic, Advance Obedience and Ring Manners Classes. I retired from teaching a couple of years ago but in May I resumed teaching the Ring Manners Class. Gary Oswalt is now the Training Director for me at Rob Cary and he and all our instructors do a great job using positive, motivational methods for all our training. We also have a ½ acre Agility training area. Last year our Agility students earned 146 titles with many top placements. Rob Cary also offers professional grooming and a retail store. Rob Cary is one of only 5 Pet Care Services Association Accredited facilities in Texas. Tammi White, Colite Show Dogs, came to work for me 7 years ago. She



Todd & Caryl Scrimsher
Wedding Day Oct 6, 1990



The Poms have their own room with separate A/C control to keep it cooler and a covered porch. They have three large, shaded yards to run and play in with concrete tunnels they love. The house wraps around the Pom yards so I can keep an eye on them from almost every room in the house. We even put in a second washer & dryer for the Pom bedding and Pooch Pads so Todd doesn't have to wear as much Pom hair.



I have loved animals all my life. As a kid, I kept and bred tropical fish and hamsters. In the 1950's I took dance lessons from Dorothy Bonnor. I had no idea that she was a well respected Pom breeder but I loved her beautiful Poms. My parents had a German Shepherd and no money for a Pom with 5 kids to support so it would be over 30 years before I would satisfy my desire for a Pomeranian. I helped raise two litters of German Shepherds and kept a large male, Blackie, which I showed in the 1960's. He was not a great German Shepherd but he was my buddy through the difficult teenage years and I put a C.D. obedience title on him.



I married very young and had my son and daughter at a young age. I started training, showing and breeding Shetland Sheepdogs in 1970. Shelties were great with the kids and I enjoyed showing them in Obedience and conformation. My first Sheltie, Colleen, had been neglected badly before I got her at 18 months of age. She blossomed with care and training and became the #7 Obedience Sheltie the year she completed her U.D. title. Colleen also earned her Mexican U.D.



at the International shows in Mexico City with multiple High in Trial and High Combined wins. Colleen helped raise my kids and was the official greeter when I started my business. She lived 17 1/2 years. My first Sheltie Champion was from my second litter, CH RobCary's Stormy



My first Sheltie Champion
CH RobCary's Stormy of Scarlet Oak

of Scarlet Oak. Stormy also earned his C.D.X. title.

My first breeder, owner handled CH RobCary's Jubilant Image, J.R. was



CH RobCary's Jubilant Image,
J.R. was one of my favorites

one of my favorites. I finished several Sheltie Champions of my own and for friends and put around 25 obedience titles on my dogs and client dogs including a C.D. and C.D.X. on an Old



Ch. RobCary's Spirited Repartee
Scotty was my last sheltie Ch.

English Sheepdog, Huggy Bear. I have some great stories about that one

When I divorced in 1983, I had to cut back on showing and breeding as I had to take care of my children and business. When Todd and I met and married I had two Shelties, my last Champion, RobCary's Spirited Repartee, Scotty, and Jessica. We bred Jessica once and she had one little girl. Unfortunately she injured her pup's leg the first day and eventually we had to amputate the pup's rear leg. We named the pup, Peggy Sue and she matured to just 6 pounds. Peggy Sue was my beloved lap dog and my Puppy class assistant. She passed away at only 8 years of age and I was heartbroken.

Early in our relationship I had told Todd that when I was older I would want to get a Pomeranian. A year after losing Peggy Sue, I was ready to get a lap dog. Todd said I wasn't old enough yet but he indulged my request anyway.

I started my research by purchasing the few books on Pomeranians I could find and subscribed to the Pomeranian Review as well as the Pom Reader. Initially I was just going to get a pet. In the fall of 1999, I was referred to Anita Farr who had a litter due by a sweet little orange girl. I wanted a male as my male Shelties had always been devoted to me and they usually carried prettier coats. Of course Anita's girl had one female puppy, so the search continued. I continued to read the Pom magazines and my interest in showing again grew. The APC was holding their March 2000 National in Dallas. Todd and I were excited to get to see beautiful Poms from all over the country.



BIS CH Starfire's RobCary Sobe
Sobe pictured at his retirement show- BOB/Grp 4

We introduced ourselves to several breeders; Tony and Fabian, Starfire Poms, were the most cordial and helpful. We loved the girls they were showing in the classes, (CH) Starfire's Lady of the Night and (CH) Starfire's Silver Moon. They were beautifully groomed and presented. We visited with Tony and Fabian at the National and in July we flew to Miami to see all of their beautiful dogs. We were fortunate that they sold us a beautiful 4 1/2 month old orange male who became BIS CH Starfire's RobCary Sobe



CH. Starfire's Between The Sheet
Satin

It, better known as Sobe. Sobe was a wild little man and we named him after the wild South Beach, FL better known to locals as SOBE. I handled Sobe to his Championship at just 15 months old.

When Sobe went to Tony and Fabian to be specciald they were kind enough to "lend" us Satin, (Ch) Starfire's Between The Sheet, so we would not be Pomless. I trained and showed Satin to her Championship. Todd and Satin really bonded and Tony & Fabian let her stay with us. Satin's first two litters were singleton pups that were dead or died within 48 hours. We were disappointed but did not give up and Satin has rewarded us by producing 4 Champions, 2 more with points and at least 2 pups from her last litter that should finish. Satin is a great mom. She is 9 years old now, was recently spayed and is enjoying being Queen of our household. At the March National I gave Tony & Fabian the pick of Satin's last litter, sired by Sobe. Tino, Starfire's Rob Cary Constantino, is a gorgeous orange boy that is the most exciting puppy I have bred. We have come full circle from 10 years ago when we took home our beautiful Sobe as a promising young star!

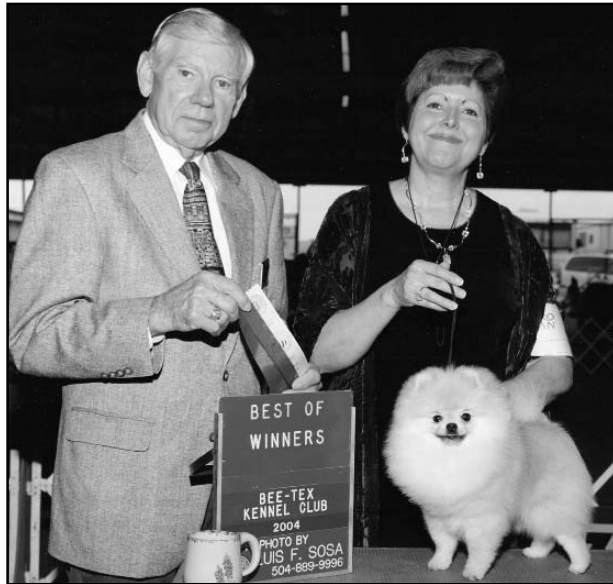
Sobe has only sired 26 puppies and has produced 4 Champion kids and 5 that are puppies that should finish and at least 3 Champion grandkids. We have had three Sobe litters since October 2009 for a total of 5 puppies. So far they all look very promising with Tino being the star that Wows everyone who sees him.

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SOBE KIDS FROM THE FIRST LITTER I BRED:



Above: “Hanz” – BISS Ch. Rob Cary Devil Made Me Do It. I finished him at 19 months. Hanz just won Best Veteran and Award of Merit at the March 2010 APC National. He is owned and loved by Cindy Onosko.



Above: “Franz” – Ch. Rob Cary Frosted Image, a beautiful cream boy now living in Mexico.



SOBE X SATIN KIDS:



Above: “B.B.” – Ch. Starfire’s Rob Cary Bad Boy, a gorgeous cream boy who finished at 9 months with 3 majors and a Puppy Group I. His coat started looking questionable and after much soul searching I had him neutered. His coat came in beautifully after that and he is now a well loved pet.



Above: “T.C.” – Ch. Starfire’s Rob Cary Too Cool, another gorgeous cream boy. He won RWD and Best Puppy at the summer 2007 APC National and he finished with multiple BOB wins. Unfortunately he broke a hind leg as a puppy and still hitches that leg once in a while so I don’t special him.

“Natasha” – Starfire’s RobCary Winter Dream, Tino’s sister, a pretty cream girl that I plan to show this year.

< *Left:* “Foster” – Rob Cary’s Silver Frost,

SOBE X SATIN GRANDKIDS:



Above: “Rocko” – Ch. Rob Cary You Rock My World, a beautiful, sweet, red sable male who finished with multiple BOB wins. He is now a pampered pet.



Above: “Gabby” – Ch. Rob Cary Gabriella, a gorgeous little orange girl who will be bred to Foster this year.



Above: “Sophia” – Ch. Rob Cary Softly Upon My Heart, finished at 10 months. She placed in a huge 6-9 Sweepstakes and Regular classes at the March 2008 APC National.

Our other Poms:

“Foster” – Rob Cary’s Silver Frost, a 2 year old Satin son. He is a beautiful silver cream sable with correct harsh, thick coat, sound temperament and good structure/movement. He is currently being shown and is pointed.

“Bitsi” – Rob Cary’s Bit O Gold, Foster’s sister, a beautiful little orange girl, pointed from the puppy classes but she took time off to have a beautiful cream Sobe son. Bitsi will be back in the ring as soon as she coats up.

“Tanji” – RobCary’s Silver Dancer, Foster’s cream sister. She has, a pretty cream daughter sired by Sobe.

“Tatiana” – RobCary’s Silver Star, Tanji’s pretty cream daughter by Sobe. She should be ready for the ring soon.

“Palin” – Rob Cary Northern Light, Bitsi’s son by Sobe. A handsome silver cream boy who will make his ring début later this year.

“Sasha” – Wagner’s Sashay to Rob Cary, a lovely, heavy coated orange puppy. She is pointed from the puppy classes. I purchased her as a puppy from Ruth Wagner last year and plan to breed her to T.C.

We have a new cream girl, Chili, Ch. Starfire’s Hot N Spicy that Tony & Fabian have generously shared with us. Chili is a gorgeous, sound, typey, sweet girl who will hopefully be in whelp to Sobe by the time you are reading this article.

I love the silver cream color but it is difficult to find anything nice that is available to purchase. I hope to get something nice with the creams I have now. We keep our numbers low as our dogs are house dogs and we want to be sure they get the time, attention and training they need. Since it is so difficult to purchase nice dogs to show, we do limited breeding to have something nice to show. Each one is a precious treasure and should be treated as such.

We would like to thank all our Pom friends for their help, encouragement and kind words and deeds. We look forward to many more years as Pom lovers.

Caryl Scrimsher
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