

Great experiences make great queens

Congratulations to our 2009 Rose Queen, who was recently crowned at our Rose Queen Tea event, which honors the senior ladies who reside at Marquis Care Skilled Nursing and Assisted Living Facilities.



Tessie, our 2009 Rose Queen, grew up on a farm in Enid, Oklahoma. Surrounded by horses, cows, pigs, rabbits, goats, sheep, cats, dogs and even turtles, it was easy for her to fall in love with animals. As she grew older, Tessie never lost this love she experienced as a child. It came as no surprise that she would choose to spend her New Chapters event at the Oregon Zoo with three of her closest friends. When asked which exhibits she most wanted to see, she replied, "All of them." She would tell stories about animals on the farm with each stop they made. And many animals reacted to her voice, prompting her to exclaim, "See, they heard me."

On the way home, Tessie said it had been the best day of her life. When asked if she was tired, she replied, "Not too tired to come back tomorrow."