

I have known Mary for at least 20 years now – we started out training and trialing in obedience together, then flyball. I always admired her Border Collies for their wonderful temperaments and great work ethic. When she finally convinced me that Border Collies are perfect dogs for all the things I was doing (obedience, flyball and agility) – I got Motley from her. She was absolutely right – and I have fallen in love with the breed.

Motley was everything I could ask for – great work ethic, wonderful temperament, fast and gorgeous. There was nothing he couldn't do – and yet he's more than willing to just lie at my feet while I'm watching TV or sitting on the computer.

When I was ready for another BC, we bred Motley to one of Mary's females – Shiver. My puppy from that breeding (Cruzer) is wonderful – biddable, willing, smart, fun - all I could ask for.

So when I was ready for another puppy, I naturally turned to Mary who was now living with Lisa. With their combined great knowledge of pedigrees, conformation and breeding – Lisa decided that her dog Envy would make a wonderful match for Motley. She was absolutely right! I fell in love with Envy when I met her – she's a very sweet, gorgeous girl with loads of personality.

I picked up my puppy from that litter from Lisa in Texas. They were kind enough to let me stay at their house while I was there – so I got to meet all the puppies and dogs. The dogs are family pets, well-mannered and well cared for. Sitting watching TV, I had several cuddled up with me – and Lisa even loaned me a couple of dogs to sleep with that night (I hate sleeping dog-less if I don't have to!).

Smokin has been an amazing puppy – clearly lots of time was spent socializing, playing with and caring for the puppies when they were young. Smokin was (and still is) very well-adjusted, curious, out-going, friendly, attentive and hard-working. The perfect choice for me.

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