

## Owner of World's Ugliest Dog Adopts Chinese Crested Puppy

**Florida resident bonds with her new pet from the Humane Society of Missouri.**

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Jeanenne Teed of Florida wasn't looking to replace her Chinese Crested dog Gus, who in October was named by Animal Planet as the World's Ugliest Dog. After Gus died of skin cancer in November, Teed's Chihuahua, Buttons, was lonely, she says.

Thanks to the Internet, she found a 4-month-old Chinese Crested puppy who was rescued from a West Virginia puppy mill and rehabilitated by the Humane Society of Missouri. The puppy, named Moe by the shelter staff for the perfect Mohawk he has from head to toe, has loved the attention he's getting at his new home, Teed says.

After learning that Moe was a rescue puppy, Teed says she was willing to make the travel arrangements for his adoption. At the shelter, Moe's caregivers said they knew it would be a good pairing because of Teed's experience with the breed.

"We thought they would be a perfect match because she fell in love with him just seeing him on the Internet," says Tammi Britton, Humane Society of Missouri shelter manager. "We knew she would be willing and able to give him the necessary care and love he would need."

Now that the two have had a few weeks to bond, Teed says she's changing her new puppy's name from Moe to Jack Rabbit, for the way he runs and because of his floppy, bunny-like ears. His appearance is more like the traditional Chinese Crested, she says, and he probably wouldn't take the title that Gus earned. "He's way too cute," she says.