

Giertsens
LINCOLNSHIRE, IL

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Dear Ed and Emily,

We wanted to tell you how happy we are with Rocco. He is such a special dog that I can't even begin to explain how thrilled we are to have found Shining Star GSP's. When we lost our 8 year old Vizsla suddenly last year, we were devastated and my husband thought it was just too soon to get a pup, but after talking to Ed on the phone I knew this is who we wanted our next dog to come from. My husband was on a hunting trip at the time and I knew I couldn't pick out a dog without him but Ed let me come up anyway and look at a puppy. He was the cutest puppy and I gave him a deposit immediately! The way you treat all the dogs as part of your family made me know in a second that this was the place for us. I love the fact that all your dogs including training dogs are kept in your house.

Rocco came back for puppy school and adult school. Boy was it hard to let him go for 8 weeks, but with Ed's constant updates and photos we felt at ease knowing Rocco was making great progress. We came up several times to see Rocco and you were always so accommodating, welcoming us into your home, giving our kids snacks and letting them hold the birds. The latter, they will never forget! I'll have to admit when we came to visit Rocco I thought he would be sad and want to come home with us but he was having a ball and when our visit was over, he happily ran to your back door. Yes, selfishly I thought "Eds house is more fun than my house?" He has come back a hunting machine! Not to mention his general obedience is now amazing. It's so nice to have a dog that turns on a dime when you say "come". I'm not sure what your secret is up there but you have produced a wonderful dog and he's only a year old. I can't even imagine what he'll be like a year or 2 from now. I think this dog is something really special and it starts with your high standards of breeding and loving care to your amazing ability to train dogs with a positive approach.

Thank you, not only for a well trained hunting dog and probably the best looking dog in the field but for also being great people. We appreciate you always taking time to answer all of our questions. It's reassuring to know that you are always available to us. We can't imagine getting a dog from anyone else.

Sincerely yours,

Rick and Jen Giertsen