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Why Westies? From the moment I saw a picture of two Westies in *The Standard Book of Dog Care* by Jeanette W. Cross and Blanche Sanders when I was 10 years old, I said to myself "one day I will have a Westie." I just thought they were so cute and appealing.

Most memorable moment in Westies: When I won my class at Westminster in 1985.

Who taught you about Westies? I more or less taught myself. I went to a lot of seminars on the subject and also had friends in the breed.

Favorite Westie: They all were. I loved and still love all of them.

Most memorable Montgomery moment: When my Westie won first in American Bred class. There must have been 20 other Westies in that class. I can't remember the year; it was a long time ago.

Favorite collectible: About 200 of them! Every time I went to a show, I would purchase a new one.

How members can assure the future well-being of the breed: By breeding Westies for the breed's intended purpose: going to ground after small game, and not breeding toward what is winning in the show ring.

Advice for future Westie enthusiasts: Enjoy your beloved Westies to the fullest, for they are the most wonderful companions you will ever come across.