



Giant George

Life with the World's Biggest Dog

by Dave Nasser and Lynne Barrett-Lee



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Book Review

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"Giant George" is the adorable tale of George the Great Dane and his family. Dave Nasser dearly loved his wife and would do almost anything to make her happy. He did not want a dog but he wanted a happy wife and to move to Tucson, Arizona. She didn't want to move but she did want a dog. They compromised. They moved and she got a dog. Dave researched different breeds before deciding on a Great Dane. Great Danes are usually very affectionate and loyal. They are also known to be very large. Dave and Christie Nasser chose the runt of the litter. They named their new puppy George and soon called him Giant George. Dave worked from home and most of George's care fell on him. He was ready to give George away but then he couldn't as he and George had bonded. When the Nassers took their beloved puppy to the park other puppy owners complained. They were all afraid the gentle giant would hurt their puppies. At over five feet tall and seven feet long George set a Guinness World Record. George has become quite famous and he has appeared on Oprah.

I am a dog lover although my dog is a lot smaller than George. I found myself laughing through much of this book. There were also tearful moments. Nasser has a talent for taking something seemingly mundane and bringing out the true humor of the moment. There was more than a bit of repetition in this tale. The story is delightful but repeated phrases detracted from the story. As I pictured George attempting to sleep with his people I found myself laughing out loud. I was also reminded of my first encounter with a Great Dane. I was petrified but soon learned what wonderful pets they are. Good luck George!