

Dear Mary & Bart,

I just wanted to share all of the wonderful things my family and I have enjoyed about your farm. What you do is so important to me as an animal lover/rescuer who deals so often with abused and neglected animals, because you combine compassion and care even while providing natural healthy meats and products for families. All of the animals are so clearly well cared for, regardless of what destination is awaiting them. The more I get to know you, the more I see how you have dedicated your lives to making sure each and every animal is treated with respect and kindness. It amazes me that the caring never ends, even after they find homes. I can't Thank You enough for all of the help I've gotten over the last few years while learning my way through owning a farm.

I knew Georgie was special from the moment I laid eyes on him, but he has now become a well loved celebrity throughout the neighborhood. He's now approximately 2100 pounds, but a gentle giant, and loves to ham it up for all of the neighbors who stop by to visit him. Because of the love you gave him as a baby, he has remained a cherished family pet; spending his days eating "Doritos" (only the nacho kind), and enjoying his massages & kisses. He protects the other animals for me, and keeps a watchful eye on my children, and is excitedly awaiting the birth of our baby coming in May by kissing my baby bump each day he sees me. Three years ago, when I bought this farm, I never dreamed I'd be wrapping my arms around a huge steer's neck and getting love in return. We get some strange looks (and laughs), but Thanks to the way you raised him, I would never trade it!

And then there is Sage, and what words could ever describe her? Although it was hard, you knew she needed to retire, wanted what was best for her, and would live a happy old age here with me. She let us know right away that she was used to being treated quite well, and is the "Princess" of our farm. She nuzzles her nose, right into my hair, which couldn't be more of a hug if she was human and had arms. Is it any wonder we returned to you for more goats in her blood lines 2 years later? Her Granddaughter, Rita and great Grandson, little baby Leroy are just as wonderful as she is. Although, Leroy considers himself a lap goat, and I'm finding it more difficult for him to fit on my lap the bigger we both get. All three are just so gorgeous and affectionate, and have the most wonderful of personalities! For the time we milked, it was absolutely delicious! To think that Sage will be 14 years old this year!

Last but not least, we have our chickens. We do collect the eggs, which are so tasty compared to most store-bought. But, on top of that, our chickens are a fun part of the family. The kids love to walk around with them, and the chickens seem to enjoy it too. They come over like the rest of the animals to ask you to share any snacks you may be eating, and will eagerly come over to see anyone who's around. We raised a few other chicken we were given from somewhere else, and they were completely different....not friendly at all. You must have some kind of magic!

To top it off, our family has enjoyed the many wonderful products we have gotten from your store. There is just no going back to the grocery store after trying your yogurt, milk, and the delicious meats! Even my family in New Jersey is getting a great interest in your products! I'm so proud to offer my children all-natural, chemical free foods, and to know that it was all accomplished with compassion for the animals who provide it! Our family can't wait for me to make my trips to your farm, and it's always well worth it! I just can't Thank You enough for what you do!

Sincerely,

Kathi W. family