



DIANE M WEAVER

SCI MUNCY



STATUS: Incarcerated in 1977 at the age of 27

Hometown: Johnston, Pa

EMPLOYMENT:

- Operator of tractors and other heavy equipment
- Maintenance Crew
- Tutor
- C.P.I. Canine Partners For Life

EDUCATION:

- Animal Science at Harcourt Learn Direct, Scranton, PA

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Founder of C.P.I. Canine Partners For Life

ACTIVITIES/GROUPS

- Lifer's Group
- Hospice Program
- Various Self Help Groups

THE WOMAN I AM TODAY

When I came to Muncy I was classified as minimum security and given outside clearance. There was no fence around the prison. There were approximately 180 inmates here and 12 or 20 men. I worked on the farm, driving tractors and other heavy equipment in the fields and down the main highway, alone with no staff. I also worked for maintenance going to local staff homes. This all changed when a fence was put up around Muncy. Through no fault of my own I lost my status. I continued to be involved in other activities though. I attended Lifer's Groups and other Self Help Groups. I was involved in the Hospice Program and mentored others in various Groups. I tutored students in school. I drew up a proposal after extensive research and began the Dog Training Program here. (C.P.I. Canine Partners For Life). Being an animal lover, I took a correspondence course with Harcourt Learning Direct, Scranton, PA. The course was "Animal Science". I received a 96% average.

I have worked every job available here at Muncy. I refuse to be idle even now at 65 years of age. I've seen too many lifers just give up. God has a reason and purpose for me in life and it is He that I'm living for and making atonement. I have lost all of my immediate family members during my incarceration but am grateful for a cousin who has stood by me over the years. I will not give up living, growing, learning and sharing.

I'm speaking and pleading from my heart when I say that Laws must be changed or altered. I would not be here today if Coalition against Domestic Violence existed and there were Safe Shelter's for Abused Women to take refuge. I went from a prison in my own home to a State Prison. Please give me a minimum sentence and let me enjoy some peace in the Free World. I would dedicate my remaining years to helping the battered women in this world to overcome their nightmare.