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Family Devastated By Loss Of Pet

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Police believe Maureen M. drowned one animal after another in her apartment, they say she has confessed to killing 650 animals.

A [local] family doesn't feel complete without their 3-year-old Shi Tzu, Baby. They were in the process of moving, so 10 days ago Patricia B. and her daughter Toni (pictured, above) left their dog with M.M., a friend and [so-called] animal rescuer.

"Toni, my daughter, would find lost cats," said Patricia. "She [M.M.] would come and pick them up. She'd always been there for us."

"She was a nice, kind lady," said Toni. "We called her "cat lady" because she loved cats. I never knew she would do this to cats."

Three days ago, M.M. told them Baby was in foster care, but then Patricia saw the news. Animal investigators found a dead cat inside M.M.'s apartment and they said she confessed to killing 650 cats and dogs. The family went to her apartment, but there was no sign of M.M. or Baby.

"If you can hear me Maureen, let me know where Baby is. Please," said Patricia. When they're not crying, they're praying. They hope Baby will return and that they weren't betrayed by a trusted friend.

"If anyone can find him, please call us or let us know because I want my dog back," said Toni.

Animal investigators are trying to track down M.M.. Anyone who knew her and is now missing an animal is asked to call police.

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Woman Accused Of Drowning Hundreds Of Animals

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Humane Society agents on Wednesday were searching for a woman wanted for animal cruelty. Prosecutors said Maureen M. admitted killing 650 puppies, dogs, and cats by drowning them in a trash can. M.M. recently told authorities she would fill a trash can with water, put the animals in a crate, and place the crate in the water.

"She would keep fur from each animal that she killed and write the name and date and descriptions of the animals," said assistant city prosecutor Bill H.

Many of the animals M.M. drowned since July 2002 were received through people thinking that she was a rescue. "No one would expect this going on and basically she's just a mass killer of animals," Bill H. said.



Authorities were working to determine why M.M. killed the animals when they say she knew that what she did was wrong. M.M. was charged with one count of animal cruelty because the Humane Society agents recovered only one carcass.

Prosecutor Bill H. said he was concerned that she could be or had been volunteering with local veterinarians or other rescues in the area.

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