



**IN MEMORY OF CLAIRE KONTOS**  
**MAY 13, 1961 - MARCH 4, 2017**  
**DRU FOUNDER AND 1<sup>st</sup> PRESIDENT**

DRU's founder and 1<sup>st</sup> President, Claire Kontos, passed away suddenly on March 4, 2017. The entire organization and everyone connected to DRU was devastated and heartbroken at the passing of this wonderful woman who dedicated her life to animals and Doberman Pinschers in particular. She rescued countless Dobs in her 30 years of rescue work and brought joy to thousands of adopters who came to DRU for a new family member. She began rescuing Dobs out of her home and was elated when the DRU shelter was built 20 years ago. That allowed DRU to keep up to 50 Dobs safe and healthy before being adopted. DRU was her life's work and all of us were honored to work with such a dedicated and beautiful individual. Claire's passing is such a profound loss to DRU and the rest of the Doberman rescue world. She was Dobe rescue's greatest advocate and she will be remembered always for her selfless work on behalf of our favorite breed. We will love, miss, and remember you always dear Claire - not only were you DRU's Founder and President but you were also our dear friend.