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Judy has been spotted spending time near the sink!



Near the end of her time in the Kitten Rescue facility, Judy has been spotted spending time by the sink on the counter where humans wash their hands. She has taken the loss of 5 of her kittens very hard, so she is spending a lot of time staying away from her 2 remaining kittens to grieve by herself.

"I think..." North, a multi species behaviorist says, choking up, "that Judy doesn't want to get too attached to her remaining kittens, because they might get taken away from her." This is just one of the things that mama cats do when their kittens are taken away by humans and they don't see each other ever again. Judy must be taking this especially hard, but she should Image above - Judy sulking near the sink.

still try to bond with her kittens.

Even though they don't spend a lot of time together, Judy lets one of her kittens suckle at a time still, even though they should have been weaned months ago. It's her way of saying "I'm sorry", and "I still love you". Her kittens enjoy this, of course, but they would rather spend time playing with their mama.

Judy only comes down for sleeping long term, eating, drinking, and using the litter box, so she spends time between meals sleeping and thinking about all of her lost kittens. Ice and Judy jr., her 2 remaining kits have been trying to make her feel better by making her Tuna Noodle Casserole, a dish that no cat in their right mind would turn down. Judy came down to eat, but she was so sad that she ate 4 bowls without getting full. Then she went into a soft basket for the night.

When humans come into the room, Judy watches them silently and doesn't move. She enjoys being petted, but she is too sad to notice



when the human stroked her fur. Judy needs something to cheer her up. She can't go on much longer in this state.

"I'm very Judy - I don't want her to feel depressed and start drinking!"

Just yesterday though, Ice found a way to make Judy happy. He made her learn the Chubby Shuffle. Then, he put on some music concerned about while Judy was walking slowly toward the food bowl. When Judy turned around, Ice was dancing the Chubby Shuffle in the middle of the room. It was so bad that Judy laughed for the first time in a couple of weeks. It looked like Ice had finally found a way to make his mama feel better.

Image above - Judy laying down for a nap by the sink.

- MAVIS, JUDY'S SISTER

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