

PAPER PEDIGREE

A question rose about his ancestry.
It raised some doubt about his canine tree.
Then he adopted us. We took him in
without a thought about his next of kin.

The truth of life is in reality,
not written claims of what it ought to be.
If you should ask, dog lovers would agree
he doesn't need a government I.D.

The written record is a useful test,
but paperwork alone can't make him best.
He is not loved because of pedigree.
What makes a difference? He's family.

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