



Sherri Spell,
Co-Founder
Saint Francis Service Dogs

Sherri Spell graduated from Radford University with a Bachelors of Science in Business Management and a minor in math.

In 1996, she met Carol Willoughby and her service dog Booker. When Sherri discovered that she needed her own service dog, she turned to Carol to help her raise the funds to have a service dog privately trained. She was partnered with Regis, a golden retriever, who helped her to accomplish her daily tasks and

brought laughter to her home.

For several years, Carol, Booker, Sherri, and Regis worked to educate the community about the use of service dogs and to raise funds for other people who needed a service dog. Their experience led them to create Saint Francis Service Dogs so that people who otherwise could not afford a service dog would be able to have one.

Sherri's service dog Regis died in May of 2007 and Sherri is presently on the waiting list for a Saint Francis Service Dog. She lives in Troutville, Virginia with her husband, Allen.