

# RoseDog Books

*Mapleton, MN Author Publishes Poetry*

*This Book of Poetry is Filled with Fun Farm Animals*

*Poems for Children*, a new book by Elsie M. Johnston and illustrated by Kelli D. Lamm, has been released by RoseDog Books.

This poem book is easy and fun to read with flowing words, depicting bright pictures of farm animals.

An acquaintance with simple country living was Elsie M. Johnston's inspiration for "The Farm Mouse," a poem about a mouse who sleeps while the people work and play, until the day is done and then he creeps out of the hay. The mouse looks through the barn yard for food, until the sun begins to rise, then he is gone again, to hide beneath the haystack to await another night.

The poem "Be a friend" was inspired by seeing the need for teaching children more kindness for each other. The illustrations show farm animals, including a turtle, being nice and helpful to each other, by helping to reach an apple, giving companionship and by trying to make others smile.

Such treatment may seem to be only a little effort, but helps to greatly improve the days of others.

## **About the Author**

Elsie M. Johnston was born and raised in the little town of Jerome, in the midst of farming country in southern Idaho. She acquired a liking of poetry in her high school literature classes, but did not pursue it until many years later. Then it was only for her own pleasure and that of her friends.

Elsie now lives in the city of Federal Way, Washington, but still has a love for the simple life of "small-town" U.S.A.

Elsie's niece, Kelli D. Lamm, who illustrated this book, encouraged her, and was instrumental in getting this work published. "Without her, I could not have done it," Elsie says.

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