

Joel Osteen Provides Statement Following Mother Dodie Osteen's Death, Funeral Details

Since the passing of Dodie Osteen, heartfelt prayers and condolences have been poured out from people across the nation for the Osteen family. Now, Joel Osteen, leader of Lakewood Church, has made a statement regarding his mother's passing.

In a video posted to X, Osteen thanked everyone who has shown love and support for his family during this time.

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"I wanted to thank you so much for all the condolences and the kind words on my mom's passing," Osteen says. "We just celebrate the beautiful life that she lived, 91, almost 92 years. [We] just feel such a peace. Of course we miss her and it's hard, but man, we have the hope of heaven."

Osteen also noted that Dodie's celebration of life ceremony will happen on Friday, August 8 at 7 p.m. Central Time.

"We'll do a formal celebration of my mom's life on August the 8, on a Friday night coming up," says Osteen.

Tomorrow, we invite you to join us at 8:30 & 11AM CT for a meaningful time of worship and a message I've titled "Lessons I Learned from My Mother."

We'll also gather for a Memorial Service on Friday, August 8 at 7PM CT to honor and celebrate the extraordinary life and legacy of...

– Joel Osteen (@JoelOsteen) August 2, 2025

In his Sunday sermon about the lessons he learned from his mother, Osteen discussed how Dodie always prayed about everything which led to an abundance of miracles taking place in her life.

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Osteen pointed out that Dodie lived by the principle: "...you have not because you ask not."

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– Lakewood Church (@lakewoodchurch) August 3, 2025

Dodie's life was a beacon to Joel that we can trust in the promises of God, and He will do what He said He would.

“What I learned from my mother was to hold on to the promises God put in your heart,” Osteen wrote on X. “To keep believing even when people try to talk you out of it. To put actions behind your faith. Let God see you out there making plans for what He promised you.”

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Above all, Joel wants his mother’s legacy to be an inspiration to others to trust God, pray boldly and live for Christ.

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My prayer is that my mother’s life of faith and courage will inspire us to make our lives count. She was a great example of God’s goodness, always telling people what God had done. She fulfilled her course. Her race down here came to an end. Now, we must step up. We need new...

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Dodie Osteen lived a life of miracles, faith and expectancy from God. As a result, many were touched by her example, also believing that the Holy Spirit could use all of their situations for good.

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