

Country Music Star Toby Keith Dies, Relied on Faith During Battle with Stomach Cancer

Country singer Toby Keith, known for hits such as “Red Solo Cup” and “Made in America”, died at the age of 62 after a two-year battle with stomach cancer.

He boldly made his mark in the country music industry but quietly lived out his last days with an unwavering faith in Jesus Christ turning to prayer in the midst of one of the most challenging times in his life.

“Toby Keith passed peacefully last night on Feb. 5 surrounded by his family,” read a statement posted by his family on X. “He fought his fight with grace and courage.”

“Please respect the privacy of his family at this time,” the message concluded.

– Toby Keith (@tobykeith) February 6, 2024

Keith opened up about his illness when he received the Country Icon Award at the People’s Choice Country Awards in 2022 saying he was receiving chemotherapy, radiation and surgery.

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“Cancer is a roller coaster,” he told KWTW in January. “You just sit here and wait on it to go away—it may not ever go away.”

He added that he navigated the dark times through faith.

“You gotta have your faith,” he said. “Thank God that I got it

too. You take it for granted on days when things are good and you lean on it when days are bad. It's taught me to lean on it a little more every day."

He said he also experienced a "peace that surpasses all understanding."

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"I finally got to a point in the was diagnosed in October of '21. And I was going through all the chemo and been through chemo, radiation and surgery. And I just got to the point where I was comfortable with whatever happened. I had my brain wrapped around it and I was in a good spot, either way. People without faith don't have that," Keith explained.

He previously shared with Fox News Digital that prayer played a key role in his battle.

"I lean on my faith and I just pray and lean into it," Keith shared. "You gotta' do what you gotta' do, and I don't know how people do it without faith ... that's what I did, it was my rock." {eo}

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