

Dolly Parton Dies at 80: Remembering Her Faith, Music and Enduring Legacy

Country music has lost one of its brightest lights.

Dolly Parton, the larger-than-life Tennessee singer whose unmistakable voice, generosity and faith touched generations around the world, has died at 80.

Parton died Tuesday at her Nashville home, according to a family statement reported by CNN. A cause of death was not immediately announced.

Parton's nephew, Bryan Seaver, announced her passing on behalf of the Parton and Owens families in an emotional video message. Seaver, the son of Parton's sister Cassie, said his aunt had actually asked him years ago to be the one to deliver the announcement when the day eventually came.