“Days of Our Lives” Star Suzanne Rogers in Remission After Colon Cancer Treatment

The beloved soap actress Suzanne Rogers was diagnosed with colorectal cancer earlier this year and completed treatment in July.

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Days of Our Lives star Suzanne Rogers, 82, recently announced that she is in remission after undergoing treatment for colorectal cancer that was diagnosed earlier this year, according to People.

On November 8, Peacock hosted the Days of Our Lives 60th Anniversary Celebration, which honored the legacy of one of the longest-running scripted television series in the world.

At the event, Rogers—who has played Maggie Horton on the daytime soap opera since 1973—told People that she was diagnosed with Stage II colorectal cancer in early 2025 and completed treatment in July.

"I’m feeling so much better. I mean, my summer was rough. I had cancer removed, radiation, that was tough," Rogers told People.

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Earlier this year, Rogers felt something “wasn’t quite right” with her body, according to TV Insider. She made an appointment with her doctor and underwent a series of tests, including an MRI, PET scan and biopsy.

“[My doctor] said, ‘You have cancer, and you have to start treatment,’” she said. “It was all a shock. I mean, I think I was in shock for several days because I take pretty good care of myself. But he said, ‘It’s a good thing you caught it in time.’”

Colon cancer, also known as colorectal cancer, develops when cells grow out of control in the colon or rectum, sections of the large intestine. Colorectal cancer is the fourth most common cancer and the second leading cause of cancer-related death in the United States.

The American Cancer Society estimates that about 107,320 new cases of colorectal cancer will be diagnosed this year. New colorectal cancer cases and deaths among older adults have been decreasing overall in recent years, likely due to more screening. However, the rates are increasing among people younger than 50.

Rogers had wrapped filming on Days of Our Lives in June and started treatment days later, according to People.



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“It was radiation every day and chemo every day for six weeks, and it was tough,” she told TV Insider. “It was tough knowing you had to do it five days a week and then you had off Saturday and Sunday. I thoroughly enjoyed my weekends because I didn’t have to go to a doctor. I was so tired of seeing doctors.”

Now in remission, Rogers said her experience with cancer has impacted her outlook on life. She also added that she is gradually regaining her strength during recovery.

"I don’t worry about the small things. It’s not worth it. I was rushing [to get to the 60th Anniversary event], and I went, ‘Wait a minute. [There’s no need to rush.] You’re not going anywhere,’” she said.

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